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On FRIDAY, 25th, Fete Invitation Night for the Officers and Men of the Royal Navy, when a One-Mile Race will be competed for

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A Prize will also be given for the Tallest and Largest Round Boy who can Skate. Both gates will be open for those who are too large to pass through the entrance.

From 8-15 to 10, Children in Fancy Dress will have the use of the Skating surface; from 10 to 12 midnight the General Public will be allowed to skate.

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Adults, General Admission, Re. 1; Front Row of Chairs, on Sides, Re. 2; End Seats, Re. 3.
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Names of Costumes should be registered, and Tickets secured without delay.
Tickets are now on Sale at the Rink Office.

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QUEEN SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that a DIVIDEND of Rs. 9 per share, free of Income Tax, being at the rate of 6 per cent. on the paid up capital, for the half year ending 31st December 1889, has been declared and made payable at the Registered Office of the Company, No. 7, Church Gate Street, on and after Monday, the 5th May, 1890, to registered shareholders on production of share certificates between the hours of 11 a.m. and 3 p.m.

By order of the Board of Directors.

K. M. HEERAMANECK & Co.
Secs. Treasurers and Agents,
Queen Spinning and Weaving Co., Ld.

Bombay, 23rd April 1890.

BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY.

THE MUNICIPAL COMMISSIONER will receive APPLICATIONS upto noon on MONDAY next, the 28th instant for the appointments of FIRST and SECOND ENGINEERS, Pawai Pumping Engines. Candidates must hold first class certificates under the Bombay Boiler Inspection Act. The maximum salaries are Rs. 300 and Rs. 100 per mensem with free quarters.

RIENZI WALTON, M. Inst. C.E.,
Executive Engineer.

24th April 1889.

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Forms of Application for Loans can be supplied.

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Bombay, 21st April, 1890.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

TENDERS are invited for the CONSTRUCTION of 15 Prisoners' CELLS at Deolali. The contract documents as per margin can be seen during office hours viz., 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Military Works Office, Deolali, Information regarding the contract, and blank forms of Tender, and Schedule of rates, may be obtained at the above time and place.

1. Drawings of the work (if any).
2. Specifications of the work (if any).
3. Schedule of the quantities of the various descriptions of the work.
4. Conditions of Contract.

Tenders, which should be sealed and endorsed "Tender for the construction of 15 Prisoners' Cells at Deolali will be received by the Executive Engineer, Military Works, Bombay District, at Bombay, up to Noon on 5th May 1890, and will be opened at Noon on 5th May 189.

A sum of Rs. (20) two hundred in Government Promissory Notes or Cash as earnest money is to accompany the Tender. This will be forfeited in case, after his Tender has been accepted, the Contractor shall (in due course) refuse to sign and complete the contract documents and agreements; otherwise it will be returned.

The acceptance of the Tender will rest with the Superintending Engineer, Military Works Bombay Command.

No alteration in the form of the Tender or in the quantities of the Schedule and no addition in the shape of special stipulations shall be made without the consent of the Executive Engineer Military Works Bombay District, and if this be done without authority the Tender may be rejected.

The Superintending Engineer Military Works Bombay Command, reserves the right to reject all Tenders, and no reason will be given for the acceptance or the rejection of any Tender.

W. OSBORN, Lt.-Col., R.E.,
Executive Engineer, Military, Works, Bombay Dt.

22nd April, 1890.

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SALES BY AUCTION.

MEHRJEE, JOHNSTON & CO., No. 4, FORBES & MEDOWS STREETS.

SALE of Commissariat Stores, a very large quantity of new double gunny (khuripat), cotton carpets, &c.

Under instructions from C. A. Turner, Esq. the Receiver appointed in Suit Nos. 85 and 86 of 1888, Sultan Lukha vs. Yusufbhoy and others, Messrs. MEHRJEE JOHNSTON & Co. will sell by Public Auction, THIS DAY, FRIDAY, the 25th instant, at 1 p.m., in the Godown in the Military Lines, Fort, (near the Shipping Office) the same comprising a very large quantity of new double gunny (khuripat), cotton carpets, old gunny, canvas woollen hose, &c.

The above will be sold in convenient lots to suit buyers.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.
Ordinary Original Civil Jurisdiction.
Suit No. 466 of 1889.

Wagjee Corejee.....Plaintiff.
Vs.
Premjee Tricumdass.....Defendant.

Suit No. 266 of 1889.

Wagjee Corejee and Dhunjee Mowjee....Plaintiffs.
Vs.
Premjee Tricumdass.....Defendants.

SALE of valuable leased properties, situate at Wadachi Gadi, Cazee Syed Street, and Walkeshwar, Malabar Hill, without the Fort of Bombay.

Notice is hereby given that under the directions of Wagjee Coreje, the plaintiff in the above named suits, and pursuant to the terms of the consent decree passed in the above suits on the 21st day of September, 1889, the immoveable properties mentioned in the said decree, and more particularly described in the foot hereof, will be put up for sale by Public Auction by Messrs. MEHRJEE JOHNSTON and Co., the Auctioneers, on the respective dates mentioned at the foot hereof at the respective premises, unless previously disposed of by private sale.

At 4 p.m. on MONDAY, the 5th May, 1890,
LOT NO. 1.

All that piece of land, together with the messuage, tenement or dwelling-house standing thereon, situate, lying and being in the Cazee Syed Street, bearing assessment No. 31, and registered by the Collector of Land Revenue under old No. 715, new No. 6130, old Survey No. 5..., and new Survey No. 2303, and containing by admeasurement 197 square yards or thereabouts, and bounded on the east by the Cazee Syed Street, on the west by the said messuage passage, on the north by the property of Goolbai Madhowjee, and on the south by the property of Dhunjee Mowjee, and the said property has been formerly and is now in the occupation of Premjee Tricumdass and his tenants.

At 4 p.m. on WEDNESDAY, the 7th May, 1890.
LOT NO 3.

All that piece of Government land, together with the messuage, tenement or dwelling-house standing thereon, situate on the western side of Shaujee Dussajee Street, or Bunderwada, at Wadachi Gadi, bearing the assessment No. 14, and registered by the Collector of Land Revenue under old No. 503, new No. 6152, old Survey No. 935, new Survey No. 2248, and containing by admeasurement 321 square yards or thereabouts, and bounded on the east by Shamjee Dussajee Street, on the west by the Dongree Joao DeSouza Street, on the north by the property of Jeevan Callidas, and on the south by the property of Lilla Narroo, and the said property has been formerly and are now in the occupation of Premjee Tricumdass and his tenants.

At 4 p.m. on THURSDAY, the 8th May, 1890.
LOT NO. 4.

All that piece of Government land, together with the messuage, tenement, or dwelling-house standing thereon, situate in Bunder wada at Wadachi Gadi, without the Fort of Bombay, bearing the Municipal No. 13, and registered by the Collector of Land Revenue under old No. 535, new No. 6136, old Survey No. 913, new Survey No. 2250, and containing by admeasurement 173 square yards or thereabouts, and bounded on the east by the public road called the Wadacni Gadi or Bundari Street, on the west by the public road called the Dongri Joao DeSouza Street, on the north by the public passage and the house of Bhanjee Nursey, and on the south by the property of Wagjee Dewjee, and the said property has been formerly and is now in the occupation of the tenants of Premjee Tricumdass.

At 4 p.m. on FRIDAY, the 9th May, 1890,
LOT NO. 5.

All that piece of Government land, together with a bungalow and other buildings thereon, situate at Malabar Hill, bearing assessment Nos. 34, 35, and 36, and registered by the Collector of Land Revenue under old No. 34, new No. 11297, old Survey No. 18, new Survey No. 7367, old No. 55, new No. 11293, old Survey No. 19, new Survey No. 7367, old No. 53, new No. 11299, and old Survey Nos. 20, 21, 22, 23, 25, 25, 27, 28, now Survey No. 7367, old No. 69, new No. 11300 old Survey No. 21, new Survey No. 7367, and old No. 64, new No. 11301, old Survey Nos. 133, and new Survey No. 7367, and containing by admeasurement 2322-8 square yards or thereabouts, and the said property has been formerly and is now in the occupation of Shamji Nanji, on the west by the public road by the north by the property of Nathoo Rowjee, and on or towards the south by the property of Shashunker Nanabhoy.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to the undersigned.

MEHRJEE, JOHNSTON & CO.

Bombay, 25th April, 1890.

CRAWFORD AND COMPANY, 7, MARINE STREET.

SALE OF UNSERVICEABLE ORDNANCE STORES.

Under instructions from the Ordnance Officer Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction at the Arsenal, THIS DAY, FRIDAY, the 25th inst., at 2 p.m.—

A quantity of stores, consisting of sling wagons, pawlins, leather cuttings, canvas pieces, old brass, old copper, old iron and steel, &c.

TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, the 26th inst., at 1 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co., are instructed to sell by Public Auction at Parel, near the Tramway Terminus, the valuable and handsome French-polish'd blackwood and teakwood household furniture, plated-ware, crockery, and glassware, table ornaments, pictures, table and hanging lamps, &c., the property of C. MILLS, Esq.

The property is on view.

Under instructions from the Administrator-General Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction at their Rooms on MONDAY next, the 28th inst. at 3 p.m.—

One gold repeater keyless watch (chronograph) by T. R. Russell, with gold chain and pencil case, belonging to the estate of the late Mr. JAMES L. GREAVES.

WEEKLY AUCTION SALE.

On MONDAY next, the 28th instant, at 2 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction at their rooms—

10 bales grey shirtings.
5 cases white shirtings.
2 ,, printed sarees.
2 ,, khaki drill.
2 ,, flowered velvet.
50 drums raw linseed oil.
50 drums double boiled linseed oil.
By order of the Administrator-General, the effects of the late Zara, woman, consisting of wearing apparel, utensils and sundries.
A quantity of Government Telegraph stores, consisting of copper discs, wire, &c.
On Account and at the risk of Hajee Dada Aba ex S. S. Maria Teresa.
H. R. & Co—216—13,981-33-3 cases Tin Mirrors and Trays.
On account of the concerned Ex. S. S. Poseidon, T. H. G. 5575-76. 2 cases Corozo buttons.

AT 2 P.M.

1 handsome light mail-phaeton.
1 strong second-hand double-seated brougham.
1 strong second-hand office-shigram.
1 light dog-cart.
1 Varnished dog-cart brandnew with a handsome fast grey Arab pony in harness.
And any other carriages and horses which may be offered.

On TUESDAY, the 29th April, at 1 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at Wodehouse Road, Middle Colaba, the handsome blackwood and teakwood plain household furniture, plated-ware, crockery and glassware, table ornaments, flower vases, pictures, lamps, &c., the property of Mr. T. CZERWINSKA.

The property will be on view 4 days before the Sale.

BONA FIDE SALE.

On THURSDAY, the 1st May next, at 1 p.m. Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. are instructed to sell by public auction in the P. and O. Co's Dockyard, Mazagon, the valuable and handsome blackwood and teakwood household furniture, plated-ware, crockery and glassware, a sweet toned upright grand pianoforte, fancy table ornaments flower vases, lamps, pictures, &c., the property of T. Littlefair Esq.

The above will be on view 4 days before the sale.

SALE OF VALUABLE LANDED PROPERTY AT DHOBEE LANE WITHOUT THE FORT.

On THURSDAY, the 8th May, at 4 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD and Co. will sell by Public Auction on the premises, by order of the Mortgagee Hoorjee Monjee and on account and at the risk of the Mortgagors Tejbai, daughter of Nanjee Madhowjee, and wife of Premjee Veerjee Nanabai wife, of Kutcha Premjee Dewjee Kutchra minor by his mother and guardian the said Nawibai and Parbhutam Premjee in pursuance of the power of sale given in the Indenture of Mortgage, dated the 5th day of October 1888, and in the Indenture of further charge, dated the 13th day of January 1890. The following landed property viz., all that piece of Government ground together with the messuage or dwelling house standing thereon situate without the Fort of Bombay at Dhobee Lane formerly as well as now in the occupation of several tenants of the said mortgagors assessed by the municipality under Ward No. 33 and street No. 57 57 containing by admeasurement 7½ square yards or thereabouts registered in the books of the collector of land revenue under old No. 618 new No. 6 29 old survey No. 1005 and new Survey No. 2164 and bounded on the east by the property of Narayen Tailor, on the west by the 1st Cowarwada street on the north by the house of Visram Tricumdass and on the south by the property of Visram Tricumdass and Dwarkadass.

For further particulars and conditions of sale application may be made to the undersigned.

CRAWFORD & CO.

Bombay, 25th April, 1890.

SALES BY AUCTION.

BENNETT AND COMPANY., No 21, APOLLO STREET.

AUCTION SALE OF 3 PADDLE STEAM LAUNCHES.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY the 25th instant, at 4 p.m., Messrs. BENNETT and Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at Apollo Bunder—

The paddle steam launch "Silvia" (0 by 9 by 6), carries over 100 passengers, and draws only 2 feet of water.

The paddle steam launch "Wyndham" (46 by 4 by 3½) carries over 50 passengers, and draws 4 feet of water only. The launches are at present lying at Apollo Bunder, where they can be seen at any time.

BONA FIDE SALE.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY the 25th inst., at 1 p.m., Messrs. BENNETT & Co. are instructed to sell by Public auction at Armenian Lane, Fort, the valuable and handsome blackwood and teakwood plain and carved French-polished household furniture, glassware and crockery-ware, fine rare pictures and oleographs, rich table ornaments, handsome China and Japanese vases, &c., &c., the property of JAMES BUDD, Esq.

The property is now on view.

On SATURDAY, the 26th inst., Messrs. BENNETT and Co. will sell by Public Auction at their Rooms, a quantity of grey and colore piece-goods, &c., &c.

21 boxes alleged sparkling samples.

4 casks machine oil.

AT 1-3 P.M.

1 handsome strong, glass-fronted miniature brougham, in very good order.

1 strong second-hand palanquin office shigram in very good order.

1 bay Arab horse, 14-2 9 years old, quiet to ride and drive.

1 chestnut Arab gelding, quiet to ride.

1 powerful silver-coloured Arab horse, 14-3, goes fast in carriage.

1 handsome strong grey waler horse, quiet in single harness.

1 strong iron grey Arab horse, 9 years old, goes well in harness.

1 strong iron grey Arab, 14-2½, 8 years, quiet in harness and fast.

On account of the concerned:—

A consignment of 3 bicycles and 3 tricycles recently arrived per S. S. Singapore, superior French-make, of best materials, fitted with Pengeot's patent check action, very light, strong, and fast.

1 Handsome, strong Arab Pony "Chang" 13-2½ very handsome believed to be sound, perfectly quiet to ride and drive, plays polo well, a perfect hack and fast trotter in harness. A lady or child could ride him.

BONA FIDE SALE.

On SATURDAY, the 26th inst., at 1 p.m. Messrs. BENNETT & Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at 50, Custom House, opposite the Custom House, the valuable handsome blackwood and teakwood plain and carved French-polished household furniture, glassware, crockery-ware, first-rate pictures and oleographs, rich table ornaments, handsome China and Japanese vases, &c., &c., the property of A. E. B. Smith, Esq.

The property is now on view.

AUCTION SALE OF VERY VALUABLE WATCHES AND CLOCKS.

On SATURDAY, the 26th inst., at 3 p.m., Messrs BENNETT & Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at their rooms—

1 gold hunting key less lever watch, monogram set with diamonds, minute repeater, by W. Mills of London.
1 half-hunting keyless lever watch, black dial, and silver hands, by E. Manuel of London.
1 gold C. F. key winder, independent seconds watch, showing 5 minutes.
1 Gold C. F. keyless lever watch, by James McCabe of London.
1 striking lever 8-day English paliky clock by McCade.
The above are now on view.

On MONDAY, the 28th inst., at 1 p.m. Messrs. BENNETT & Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at "The Ridge," Malabar Hill, the valuable and handsome blackwood and teakwood plain and carved French-polished household furniture, best plated-ware, very rich crockery and glassware, a mahogany grand square piano by "Schiedmayer and Soehne," first-rate pictures and oleographs, rich table ornaments, handsome China and Japanese vases, a handsome bay Arab gallaway quiet to ride and drive, an handsome English-built victoria in very good order by "Windower," sets of single harness, one Brahmin cow with calf, &c., &c., the property of P. Bean, Esq. proceeding to Europe.

Catalogues are published, and the property is now on view.

Property of another gentleman—

1 Bay C-B pony, broken to harness fast and showy, suitable for racing, was timed to do the half mile in level time without training.

On WEDNESDAY the 30th instant, at 1 p.m. Messrs. BENNETT & Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at Breach Candy, opposite Scandal Point, the very valuable and handsome blackwood and teakwood French-polished household furniture, of the latest design, made to order by Wiswridge and John Roberts, best plated-ware, rich crockery and glassware, handsome China and Japanese vases, rich Persian and Brussels carpets, Hinks' table and hanging lamps, &c., the property of R. BRANSON, Esq., Barrister-at-Law.

Catalogues will be published, and the property will be on view 4 days before the Sale.

BONA FIDE SALE.

On MONDAY, the 5th May, at 1 p.m., Messrs. BENNETT & Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction at the Good and teakwood French polished furniture by Wimbridge and Jas. etjee Nowrojee, a so open carved blackwood furniture, glass and crockeryware, a mahogany nursery grand cottage piano by Soundy and Co., a handsome strong bay waler gelding 15-2, 9 years old, a collection of choice and rare plants in tubs and pots, &c., &c. the property of J. W. ORR, Esq.

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All that piece of vacant land of ground, situated at Apollo Street, Fort, containing by admeasurement about 1,300 square yards and bounded as follows, that is to say, on the east by the property of Messrs. David Sassoon and Co., on the west by Public Road called Apollo Road, on the North by the property of Mr. Framjee Cowasjee Marker, and on the South by a Public Lane called a Marine Lane.

For further particulars and conditions of sale and plan of the property application may be made to the undersigned.

BENNETT & CO.

Bombay, 25th April, 1890.

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Years.	Number and Amount of Proposals received during these months.	
	Number.	Amount.
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By order of the Board,
H. CHALMERS,

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BANKS.

Names.	Shares.	Amount.	Paid-up.	Last Half-Yearly Divd.	Cash Rate.
INDIAN BANKS		Rs.	Rs.		Rs.
Bank of Bombay	20,000	500	500	4 pr. ct.	932½
Bank of Bengal	40,000	500	all	5 pr. ct.	990
Bank of Madras	10,000	500	all	5 pr. ct.	930
EXCHANGE BANKS.					
Agra	100,000	250	all	5 pr. ct.	125
Chartered Bank	40,000	250	250	7 pr. ct.	325
Char. Mercantile	30,000	125	125	5 pr. ct.	380
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation	60,000	1125	all	17½ pr.ct.	..
National Bank of India	37,200	625	312½	5 pr. ct.	180
New Oriental Bank	50,000	210	all	6 pr. ct.	170
MISCELLANEOUS.					
Alcock Ashdown	1,000 / 750	200 / 150	200 / 150	Rs. 15 / Rs. 7½	200 / 150
Badhan Pile & Co., Ld	4,000	100	100	Rs. 14	140
apty Co., Ld.	625	00	135	Nil	45
Bombay Land and Building Co., Ld				6 p.c.	60
Bombay Flour Mill Co	750	500	500	10 p.c.	725
Bombay Ice Co. Ld	1,250	100	100	Rs. 5	81
ombay & Burmah Trading Corporation	1,000	2,500	180	Rs. 180	3,300
Do (3rd Issue)	2,000	62	45	Rs. 45	825
Municipal Bonds	...	...	...	p.c	103
Clydesdale Dyeing Co	1,000	500		...	..
Cooper madon Ld	3,000	100	100	Rs	8
Deccan Paper Mills	1,000	500	500	Nil	40 nı
Delhi and Northern India Flour	1,500	200	200	..	167½
Geyser & Co. Ld.	600	100	40	...	40
Indian Guaranteed Suretyship As	5,600	100	10	10 p.c.	1
Kaiser-i-Hind Gold Mining Co., Ld	12,000	25	25		4½
Kurrachee Lighterage	500	256	250	Rs. 10	10
Kemp & Co. Ld	4,000	200	175	Rs. 25.	360
Marcks & Co., Ld.	4,000	00	100	Rs. 10	7½
Napier Hotel Co	300	100	100	13 p.c.	7½
Do Foundry	500	100	100	...	6
Oriental Govt. Security Life As	5,000	200	50	10 p.c	205
Oriental Loan Asso	5,000	20	20	8 p.s	2)
Port Canning Co	6,000	000	1,000	Rs. 2)	365
Royal Flour Mills	2,500	100	100	. 5	50
Phillips & Co., Ld.	4,000	100	100	Rs.	99
Soundy & Co., Ld.	1,000	100	...	9 p.c.	100
Southwell and Austin	1,000	...	98	...	80
Telephone and Co., Ld	19,000	25	500	Rs. 5-8	11xd
Treacher and Co., Ld	1,305	500	100	Rs. 85	1,275
Thacker & Co., Ld	1,500	100		Rs. 10	13)
Western India Flour	000	1	12	Nil.	35
T M Mody & Co					80
Bhownuggor City P. & M. Co., Ld	550	250	250	Rs. 15	230
PRESS COMPANIES.				Yearly.	
Akbar	200	1,250	1,250	75	1,120
Albert Ginning Co	100	500	all	18 pr. ct.	450
Albert (Kurrachee)	200	1,100	1,100	60	700x
Apollo	750	2,400	2,200	Nil.	240
Bellary	167	1,000	1,000	Rs. 45	385xd
Bombay Cotton Press Co.	1,000	125	125	20	110
Breull's Cawnpore Press Co. Ld.	500	200	200	16	9
Colaba	500	1,880	1,880	55	335
East India	350	1,000	1,000	130	1,250
English Press and Manfg. Co., Ld.	400	250	...	...	195
Fort	150	8,500	2,500	150	1,125
French	300	500	all	55	325
Harvey and Sabapathy	450	450	500	60	450
Khandesh	240	450	450	45	41)
Khangaum	400	250	250	Nil.	200 no
Khatao Mackunjee	1,000	1,000	1,000	Nil.	520
Leopold	3,500	100	100	5	149
Lukmidas Spinning & Weaving Co	1,000	1,000	1,000	35	722½
Madras United	300	1,000	1,000	100	1,350xd
Mahaluxmee	600	1,000	1,000	Nil.	400
Mahboob Shahi Mills (Gulburga)	2,400	500	500	9 pr. ct.	500 nom
Manockjee Petit	4,000	1,000	all	50	1,140
Maneckjee	5,000	250	250	Nil.	87½
Morarji Joculdas	1,050	1,000	1,000	75	1,565
Mahary; Mysore & M Co	4,500	100	100	7 pr. ct.	105
National	500	1,0.0	1,000	Nil.	25)
New Great Eastern	1,400	1,000	1,000	Nil	590
Oriental	5,725	625	625	10	350
People of India	1,000	250	250	Nil.	65
Presidency Mills Co (Ld.)	743	1,000	1,000	50	900
Sassoon	1,500	1,000	1,000	25	1,590
Sholapore Mills	500	1,000	1,000	60	1,235
Soonderdas	750	1,000	1,000	Nil.	350
Southern India	1,000	500	500	Nil.	115
Southern Mahratta	1,212	250	25	12½	275
Sun Mills, Ld.	1,300	250	250	Nil.	255
Star of India	1,000	1,00)	1,000	40	560
Syadeah Mills	3,000	500	500	Nil.	255
Victoria Mills	650	1,000	1,000	Nil.	400
Western India	1,200	1,000	1,000	Nil.	375
Queen Mills	670	1,000	1,000	60	715
Ripon Mills	600	1,000	1,000	50	930xd

RAILWAY COMPANIES.

G I. P. R. Gt 5 per ct	...	610	All	at 5 p.c	9,55)
B. B. & C. I. R. Guaranteed 5 per cent.	...	& 18	...	at 5 p.c	42)

SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANIES.

				Last half-yearly.	
Ahmedabad	600	1,000	1,000	90	1,300
Alfred Manufacture	1,000	500	500	Nil.	100 Nl.
Alliance	1,500	1,000	all	Nil.	440
Albert Edward Mills	1,000	500	500	Nil.	Nomi.
Anglo-Indian	9,345	100	100	Nil.	65
Bellary S & W Co, Ld (Bellary)	871	500	all	25	500
Bombay United	980	1,000	1,000	25	630
Bombay Cotton Manfg. Co	600	500	500	20	393
Central India	3,750	500	500	45	870
Century of Bombay Mills	600	1,000	1,000	40	880
Connaught Mills	600	500	500	15	535
Colaba Land & Mill	4,000	700	700	10	6.0
Coorla Mills	800	1,00.	1,00.	40	425
David Mill	1,400	500	500	15	450
Dhun Mills	1,000	1,000	1,000	Nil.	900
Empress	2,100	500	all	15	500
Framjee Petit.	1,250	1,000	1,000	Nil.	420
Gordon Mills	2,000	1,000	1,000	Nil.	115
Hindustan	875	1,000	1,000	40	740
Hingunghat Mill	700	500	500	40	75)
Howard and Bulloughs	1,500	50)	500	15	490
Hydershad	700	1,000	1,000	35	690xd
Imperial Cotton	900	500	500	Nil.	350
Indian Manfg.	600	1,000	1,000	50	890xd
James Greaves	1,100	500	500	15	540
Jaffer Alli	600	50)	500	Nil.	350
Jamshed Manufacturing Co.	1,600	250	250	7½	242½
owraz Baloo	1,000	1,000	1,000	45	815
Khandeish	750	1,000	1,000	Nil.	55)
Khangaum Manfg. Co	400	250	250	Nil.	200 no
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Sun Mills, Ld.	1,300	250	250	Nil.	255
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Syadeah Mills	3,000	500	500	Nil.	255
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Queen Mills	670	1,000	1,000	60	715
Ripon Mills	600	1,000	1,000	50	930xd

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES, &c.

Four per cent	100½
Four-and-a-half per cent	102½
Municipal 5 per cent. Debenture Loans	104
Six per cent. Municipal Loan House Rate	..
New French Loan 5 pr. ct. 1873	Nil
City of Paris Loan	228
Port Trust Bonds	95

PRICES OF BULLION, &c.

Sovereigns, each	Rs. 14-8
Carolus	,, 235
Mexican Dollars	,, 221
Five-Franc Pieces	,, 266
Bar Silver, 17½ bottarees	,, 106-6
Gold Leaf	,, 22-14
Bar Gold, 10 ct. English, 900 touch	,, 22
Australian Gold, 100 touch	,, 22-12
Bombay Bar Gold, 100 touch	,, 22-12
Pekin do.	,, 22-4

BOMBAY.

TO-DAY.

Music at the Yacht Club, 5-45 p.m.
Columbia Skating Rink.

VESSELS ARRIVED.—The following vessels arrived on the 23rd:—Lawada (s), from Calcutta. Yesterday:—Deccan (s), from Jedda; Germania (s), Batoum; Bryn Glas (s), Barry; and I. M. S. Mayo, Chittagong.

VESSELS SAILED.—The following vessels sailed yesterday:—Falls of Inversnaid (s), for Dunkirk; and Oriental (s), Calcutta, &c.

PRINCE'S DOCK.—The s. s. Worsley Hall entered, and the s. s. Falls of Inversnaid left the dock yesterday.

VICTORIA DOCK.—The s. s. Lawada and Deccan entered the dock yesterday.

PALI HILL GUN CLUB.—The opening meeting of the season takes place at Danda, near Pali Hill, on Saturday, at 4-30 p.m.

ALLEGED THEFT BY A SERVANT.—Ramchurun Kulliandass, residing at Samuel Street, reports that his servant absconded on Wednesday with currency notes, of the collective value of Rs. 1,500, the property of the complainant. The servant was only four days in complainant's employ, and gave his name as Ramdyal. A search is being made for the accused.

A MISSING BOY.—Krishna Luximon, residing at Kalla Chowkey Road, reports that a boy named Succaram Jaising, aged 14 years, who had come with him to Bombay on a visit from Dancoo Oomergaum, on the 21st instant, has been missing since the 22nd instant. The boy had on gold and silver ornaments, of the collective value of Rs. 46.

SKATING RINK.—There was a good gathering at the Rink on Wednesday night to witness the one-mile race for amateurs. There were four competitors—Messrs. Turner, Cocks, Roberts, and Hackett. Mr. Roberts had a good lead followed close by Messrs. Turner and Cocks; but had to retire at the 3rd lap, Mr. Hackett coming to grief at the 2nd; thus the race was left between Messrs. Turner and Cocks, the former winning magnificently by a lap. Time—3 minutes 48 3-5 seconds.

SALE OF THE SWITCHBACK RAILWAY.—The property in Hornby Row, known as the Switchback Railway, with all its appliances and fixtures, was sold by public auction on the premises yesterday by Messrs. Bennett and Company, auctioneers. The sale commenced with a bid of Rs. 1,000, which rose by gradual increments to Rs. 2,150, for which amount the property was knocked down to a Mahomedan, named Cassum Moosa.

MUSIC AT THE YACHT CLUB.—The Band of the 2nd Battalion Glos'ter Regiment will play the following programme this evening, at 5-45 o'clock.

Quadrille	Lights O'London—Coote.
Valse	Thine Alone—Meissler.
Aria	Torquato Tasso—Donizetti.
Valse	Clasping Hands—Hecker.
Selection	Alzira—Verdi.
Galop (Vocal)	Queen Victoria—Hecker.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

THE THEFT AT THE ART EXHIBITION.—The articles missing from the Industrial Art Exhibition, mentioned in yesterday's issue, are a gold enamelled sword hilt, valued at Rs. 700, two gold enamelled bosses, with five small diamonds in each, and a gold lion with a diamond in each eye, valued at Rs. 50 from a shield, and four gold coins and a piece of gold chain, valued at Rs. 30 from a dagger; in all property, valued at Rs. 780. The missing property belongs to the Kholapore State. The thief substituted a metal hilt for the gold one. A Punjabi, named Mahomed Azim, had the arranging of the exhibits in this part of the Exhibition, and left for his native country, in the Punjab, on Monday, the 21st instant, before the theft was discovered. There appears to be ground for suspecting this man of having committed the theft.

THEFT OF CURRENCY NOTES.—Inspector Nolan yesterday charged Nana Salvekar, at the Girgaum Police Court before Mr. P. Ryan, with stealing currency notes and cash, of the collective value of Rs. 24, the property of Cooshna Kannoo, from his residence at Love Lane, on Wednesday last. The complainant is a fruit-seller at the Byculla Bazaar, and the accused and his master, who is also a fruit-seller at the same bazaar, lived together in the same house as complainant. During the absence of complainant at the Byculla Bazaar on Wednesday, accused broke open complainant's box and stole the money. The complainant on his return home discovered the theft of his money, and reported the matter to the police, suspecting the accused who had absconded. The complainant and a policeman went in search of the accused, and found him at the Carnac Bunder on the eve of his departure for his native country. He was arrested, and on being searched the stolen money was found in his possession. Nana Salvekar, on pleading guilty to the charge, was convicted and sentenced to four weeks' rigorous imprisonment.

ALLEGED COUNTERFEITING OF TRADE-MARKS.—At the Esplanade Police Courts yesterday, Mr. Edgelow, of Messrs. Macfarlane, Edgelow, and Hemming, appeared before the Chief Presidency Magistrate and filed an information on behalf of Munilal Dewjee, charging Jewan Chuntoor with having made use of a false trade-mark. Jewan was a petty merchant, and carried on a trade in dyes. Owing to certain information received from Seedick Sulleiman, who alleged that the packets of dyes which were sold in the market were of a very inferior quality, being of quite a different nature from those usually sold by the complainant, and acting on this statement Munilal requested his informant to produce one of those packets, for he was rather surprised that his articles, which he thought were genuine as they were imported from Switzerland, should have depreciated in the estimation of his purchasers. The packets of dye bearing the false trade-marks were produced, and the complainant having reason to believe that Jewan was in possession of a large stock of the dyes inferior in quality to that sold by his firm, which was shipped from Switzerland, Mr. Edgelow applied for a search-warrant and a warrant of arrest against the accused. His Worship granted the application allowing prisoner bail in Rs. 1,000 and a surety in the same amount.

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HIGH COURT—ORIGINAL SIDE.

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice FARRAN.)

A SUIT FOR MAINTENANCE.

GOKIBAI *vs.* LUKHMIDAS KHEMJEE.

His Lordship delivered judgment in this case, in which the plaintiff sued the defendant for maintenance. Mr. Macpherson and Mr. Russell, instructed by Messrs. Conroy and Brown, appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. Starling and Mr. Anderson, instructed by Messrs. Jefferson, Bhaishunker, Dinshaw, and Kanga, appeared for the defendant.

His Lordship said: When Mr. Justice Scott found the first issue in this suit in favour of the defendant, and made an order in pursuance of that finding, the suit became one for maintenance simply. For the reasons which I have already given, I decide that it was not competent for me either to disregard, by commencing the case *de novo*, or to review or reconsider that finding and order. The only question which remains to be determined is whether the plaintiff is entitled to a decree for separate maintenance from the defendant. The facts under which the plaintiff's claim rises are not really in dispute. Mathuradas, the defendant's eldest son, and the plaintiff, were betrothed and subsequently married when both were still young. The marriage took place in 1872. Mathuradas had been treated by his maternal grandfather, Narrotumdas, as a son, and out of respect to Narrotumdas, was called Mathuradas Narrotumdas instead of Mathuradas Lukhmidas; but it is admitted by the defendant that Mathuradas was not in fact, as he could not in law have been, adopted by his maternal grandfather. Narrotumdas died in 1873 intestate, leaving him surviving his widow Mankorebai, and his brother's son, Jumnadas Davidas, from whom he was separate, and the sons of the latter. Mankorebai, the widow of Narrotumdas, thus on the death of her husband, became entitled to his property, taking the moveables absolutely, and a widow's estate in the immoveables. The bulk of the property was immoveable. Mathuradas, after the death of Narrotumdas, continued to be called Mathuradas Narrotumdas, and he and his wife Gokebai lived sometimes with Mankorebai and sometimes with his father Lukhmidas. The fiction that he was the son of Narrotumdas was kept up, and to such an extent was this done, that he and Mankorebai, *alias* Devcurbai, as the legal representative and widow of Narrotumdas Narroodas, were by amendment made co-plaintiffs with Jumnadas Devidas and one Hargovun Chuttoor. By decretal order in that suit made on the 20th April, 1874, it was declared that the plaintiff, Mathuradas Narrotumdas, as the adopted son and heir of the deceased plaintiff, Narrotumdas Narrondas, was entitled to the shares in certain property left by one Vulloo Anundjee, to which Narrotumdas Narrondas had, by the same decretal order, been declared to have been entitled. Mathuradas did not in his lifetime receive anything under this decree, but Mankorebai received the share of Narrotumdas after the death of Mathuradas. There is no evidence in the case to show the amount of that share, or of what it consisted. Mathuradas died on the 3rd August, 1876, at the age of 18 or 19 without issue, leaving his widow, the plaintiff Gokebai, then a minor of 14 years or thereabouts. Previous to his death, he executed a will on the 3rd day of August, 1876, the contents of which will be presently referred to. The funeral ceremonies of Mathuradas were performed by his brother Nensi, in the house of his father Lukhmidas. After the death of Mathuradas, Gokebai continued to live with her father-in-law Lukhmidas. Her mother Navilbai, soon after the death of Mathuradas, applied by *habeas corpus* to the High Court for the custody of Gokebai, alleging that Mathuradas had been adopted by Narrotumdas, and that therefore Lukhmidas was not entitled to the custody of the infant. On that occasion Lukmidas positively and unequivocally denied that Mathuradas had been adopted by Narrotumdas, though he stated that as Narrotumdas had no issue except one daughter, Lukhmivahoo, the mother of Mathuradas, Narrotumdas had treated and brought up Mathuradas as if he were his son. In the result Gokebai was left in the house of Lukhmidas with a direction that she should be allowed to visit Navilvahoo after the usual twelve months of mourning should have expired. After this Gokebai lived with Luhmidas until 1879, occasionally visiting her mother Navilbai. Since 1879 she has lived with Navilbai. On the 16th January, 1889, she through her solicitors demanded separate maintenance from Lahmidas, and, receiving no reply, filed this suit on the 4th February, 1889. It is admitted that the defendant Luhmidas is possessed of ancestral property, though it is said to be mortgaged, and it is not alleged that there was any partition between Lukhmidas and Mathuradas in the life time of the latter. From this resumé of facts it follows that the plaintiff is entitled to be maintained by the defendant unless the latter can establish some grounds depriving her of that right. He relies upon the will of Mathuradas as affording a defence to her claim. It becomes necessary, therefore, to examine the contents of the will and its legal effect. The will runs as follows:—(Reads it.) Then, follows a provision as to the ornaments of Gokebai, which does affect this case, and the will proceeds. (Reads it.) The will, then, after a further provision as to ornaments, appoints Mankorebai executrix, Mankorebai proved this will on the 21st August, 1877. The obligation to do so was no doubt forced upon her by the terms of the decretal order of the 20th April, 1874, which I have already alluded to. As Mathuradas was not the adopted son of Narrotumdas, he had no right to dispose of the property left by the latter, or to enlarge, as he purports to do, the estate of Narrotumdas's widow, Mankorebai, in it. Except in so far as it does away with the effect of the decretal order of the 20th February, 1874, which declares Mathuradas, as adopted son of Narrotumdas, to be entitled to the share of the latter in Vulloo Anundjee's estate, the will confers no benefit on Mankorebai. Except in so far as the effect of that decretal order was to give a right to Mathuradas to impose a burden on the estate of Narrotumdas in the hands of Mankorebai, Mathuradas had no right to impose the burden of maintaining his wife, Gokebai, upon Mankorebai out of that estate. Whether such a right was given by the effect of the decretal order cannot be determined in the absence of Mankorebai. The latter, however, proved the will. This fact may estop her from resisting Goki's claim to the benefit, if benefit it can be called, which is conferred upon Goki by the will. But is Goki bound to enforce her claim under the will in lieu of claiming maintenance from the estate in the hands of her father-in-law? I am unable to hold that she is bound to take that course. Mankorebai has never paid any maintenance to Goki, and there is no evidence to show whether she admits any liability to do so. If she does not, the law of limitation would seem to throw difficulties in the way of Goki establishing a claim under the will. At the utmost, when living with Navilbai, she could only claim Rs. 7 per month from Mankorebai, and that would cease after the death of Mankorebai. I think that the defendant was bound to show that the plaintiff is possessed of property, out of which the plaintiff can maintain herself; and that he does not discharge that *onus* by showing that, by suing Mankorebai, she might possibly recover maintenance at the rate of Rs. 7 per month for a limited time by force of the law relating to estoppel. It is also contended for the defendant that the plaintiff has been directed by her husband's will to live in the house of Lukhmidas Khemjee or of Mankorebai, and that she is therefore not entitled to demand a separate maintenance from the defendant. (See Mayne, Hindu Law, p. 415.) The general rule of law is that a Hindu widow is not bound to reside in her deceased husband's family house, and does not forfeit her right to maintenance out of her husband's estate by going to reside elsewhere, unless she leaves her husband's house for the purpose of unchastity or for any other improper purpose. (Rupa Prithu Singh *vs.* Rani Rajkuver, 12 Bengal L. R., p. 238.) It may be an exception to that general rule that when a widow is directed by her husband's will to reside in his family house, or in that of her father, she is not entitled to separate maintenance if she lives elsewhere. Upon that it is not necessary for me to come to a decision. I think that, if such a direction is relied upon, it must be a plain and unambiguous direction, and not one to be gathered by inference from words which do not necessarily imply such a direction as is the case in the will relied upon by the defendant. I must decide, therefore, that the plaintiff is entitled to a separate maintenance from the defendant. The evidence and materials before the Court are insufficient to enable it to determine judicially the proper amount of maintenance to be allowed to the plaintiff. The ancestral property is said to be in value about one lakh of rupees. This might be expected to produce Rs. 350 or thereabouts per month. The defendant has three sons living, three unmarried daughters, and the widow of a deceased son maintained by him. To the latter he allows Rs. 10 for expenses. The property is not large and is said to be mortgaged, but the mortgage may have been effected to assist the defendant in his business, which is considerable, and brings him in Rs. 4,000 or Rs. 5,000 per month. The only guide I have to go by is the allowance made by defendant to Nursi's widow Rs. 10 per month, a separate room, and her boarding as a member of the family. Rs. 20 per month would obtain similar lodging and food for the plaintiff. I therefore award her Rs. 20, plus Rs. 10 per month, or in the aggregate Rs. 30. If the parties are not willing to accept that sum, it must be referred to the Commissioner to ascertain the proper sum to be allowed to the plaintiff for her separate maintenance. The award of maintenance will run from the date of suit filed. Defendant to pay costs of suit.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVALS.—APRIL 22.

Ogilvie, Lieut, Bo, R E, on sick leave, from Kirkee.
Hawes, Col, Bengal, 4th Punjab Infy, on leave, out of India, from Kohat.

APRIL 24.

Lynch, Lt-Col, Bo, 1st Grs, on leave, from Ahmednagar.
Connol, Capt, Ms, R A, on duty, from Secunderabad.

DEPARTURES.—APRIL 25.

Hawes, Col, Bengal, 4th Punjab Infy, on furlough, to England.
Atkins, Col, Bengal, 1st Bengal Infy, on furlough, to England.
Brown, Lieut, Bengal, Comt Dept, on leave, to Australia.
Brunker, Major, Bengal, D S O, on furlough, to England.

BOMBAY GOVERNMENT ORDERS.

(*Bombay Government Gazette*, April 24.)

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

THE leave granted to Lieutenant E L C Berger, Royal Marine Light Infantry, is extended to the 27th February.

The furlough for six months on private affairs granted to Major J Humfrey, Staff Corps, is hereby cancelled.

The services of Surgeon J G Hojel, MB, BS, Indian Medical Service, are placed at the disposal of Government for employment in the Civil Department.

Brigade Surgeon A N Hojel, Indian Medical Service, has been granted by the Secretary of State for India furlough on medical certificate for six months, in supersession of the privilege leave allowed him.

The undermentioned officer is granted leave to proceed out of India on medical certificate, under the leave rules for the Staff Corps, the leave to have effect in India from the date of being struck off duty till the date of sailing; the specified period to count from the date of leaving India:—

Lieutenant H. N. Roome, Staff Corps, Squadron Officer, 7th Bombay Cavalry, for one year.

His Excellency the Right Honourable Lord Harris, Governor of the Presidency of Bombay, has been pleased to accept the office of Honorary Colonel of the Bombay Volunteer Rifle Corps.

The following appointment has been made on the Personal Staff of his Excellency the Commander-in-Chief:—

Major P L Clowes, 8th Hussars, to be Aide-de-Camp.

The undermentioned officers have been permitted by the Secretary of State for India to return to duty:—

Lieutenant-Colonel F W Joshep, Staff Corps.
Lieutenant C J Melliss, Staff Corps.

The undermentioned officer has been granted by the Secretary of State for India an extension of leave for the period specified:—

Colonel E Mockler, Infantry, six months, medical certificate.

The following Native promotions are made, with effect from the 17th April 1890:—

14th Bombay Infantry.

Jamadar Jhanda Singh to be Subhedar vice Alphu Gaila, pensioned.

Jamadar Fatu Kesarkar to be Subhedar vice Jhanda Singh, seconded for service with Burma Police.

Havaldar-Major Bhagwandin Tivari to be Jamadar (provisionally) vice Fatu Kesarkar, promoted.

MARINE-DEPARTMENT.

With reference to Section 13 of the Bombay Port Trust Act, 1879, his Excellency the Governor in Council is pleased to appoint J Monteath, Esq, C S, a member of the Board of Trustees of the Port of Bombay, vice J K Spence, Esq, C S, resigned.

CIVIL APPOINTMENTS, &c.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

Khan Saheb Hoshangji Barjorji Vania, Second Class Subordinate Judge of Dohad, was allowed leave on medical certificate for one month and fifteen days from the date on which he relinquished charge of his office.

Azam Sakerlal Chandulal, Head Karkun of taluka Kapadvanj in the district of Kaira, is appointed to be a Magistrate of the Second Class in that district, and is invested with additional powers.

Rao Saheb Bhaw Yeshwant Gupte, Subordinate Judge of Karad and Patan, was granted an extension of his privilege leave for one month.

Mr. Shankarrao Raghunath Deshpande is appointed to be a special Magistrate, and is invested, within the municipal limits of the town of Sangamner, with the powers of a Magistrate of the Third Class.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

His Excellency the Governor in Council is pleased to make the following appointments:—

Mr G. J Agashe, BA, to be Head Master, Byramji Jijibhoy High School, Thana, vice Mr J B. Modak, BA, deceased, but to continue to act as Head Master. Dhulia High School, until relieved.

Mr K V Sabnis, BA, to act as Head Master, Byramji Jijibhoy High School, Thana, until relieved by Mr. Agashe, or pending further orders.

Surgeon C H L Meyer, Professor of Physiology and Histology, Grant Medical College, is granted leave on medical certificate for seven months.

His Excellency the Governor in Council is pleased to appoint the Honourable A F Beaufort to be a Member of the Board of the Victoria Jubilee Technical Institute vice Colonel G L C Merewether, R E, appointed Chairman.

His Excellency the Governor in Council is pleased to appoint Rao Saheb Raghvendra Pandurang Bengiri, B A, to act as Native Assistant to the Commissioner, S D, during the absence of Rao Bahadur Achyut Bhaskar Desai or pending further orders.

Mr Bhogilal Varajlal is confirmed in his appointment of Special Sub-Registrar of Dhandhuka in the Ahmedabad District.

Rao Bahadur Sabajirao Chintaman Chitnis, Huzur Deputy Collector, Sholapur, is allowed leave on medical certificate for two months.

Mr T H Stewart, C S, has been allowed by her Majesty's Secretary of State for India extraordinary leave on medical certificate for two months without pay.

GENERAL DEPARTMENT.

Assistant Surgeon Nadarsha Hormasji Sukhia is appointed to the medical charge of the Candy Dispensary, Vengurla, during the absence of Assistant Surgeon C M Rodrigues on privilege leave.

Assistant Surgeon C M Rodrigues has been allowed privilege leave for two months and twenty-nine days, with effect from 6th April 1890.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

His Excellency the Governor in Council is pleased to appoint Mr Hormasji Kharsadji Kurlavala to act as Collector of Income Tax, Bombay, during the absence of Mr Kharsedji Nasarvanji Sirvai or till further orders.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Major-General C. A. Goodfellow, V. C., R. E., Chief Engineer, 1st Class, is allowed special leave on urgent private affairs for six months from such date in May 1890 as he may avail himself of it.

DAILY IMPORTS.—APRIL 24.

FROM GLASGOW.

Europa s—280 kegs disinfecting powder and 4 cases medicine, Rogers and Co.

Bellagio s—29 bales paper, Byramjee Shapoorjee; 5 barrels cylinder oil, D Jadowjee; 28 bales papers, A H Esoofbhoy; 24 cases writing slates, A H Dawoodbhoy; 100 cases whisky, J Framjee.

FROM LIVERPOOL.

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FROM LONDON.

Lord Charlemont s—30 drums lubricating oil, R M Cheesgar and Co.

Oriental s—5 bales papers, T M Tazkhanjee.

Rosetta s—15 cases oilmanstores, &c., S Hiptoola; 3 cases printed books, Bombay

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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

THURSDAY EVENING, APRIL 24.

THE violent fluctuations in Exchange, following the movement of Silver on the other side under the influence of proposed American legislation in connection with the governing metal, has attracted most attention in commercial and financial circles during the past week. The late rapid rise in rates was followed by a collapse, and though a material recovery has been made from the lowest point touched, we close 3-16d. below our quotations of last Thursday evening for Bank and Private Paper. Cotton has been taken to a moderate extent only in the aggregate for export and local consumption. Not much has been done in Wheat; but the market has remained steady at previous rates. Seeds have been active on some days, and Linseed has advanced in value. Money is easier, and the Bank of Bombay rate has been reduced to ten per cent. Government Paper has advanced ¼ per cent. in Fours. Freights are quiet but steady. There is more improvement in ready Import business; but the high level of prices in Manchester continues to militate against forward transactions.

MONEY.—It was generally anticipated that, in view of the lull in export business, as far as fresh transactions were concerned, induced by the rapid rise in Exchange, the Presidency Bank's Cash Balance, made known on Monday afternoon, would have shown a substantial increase; and the rather easier feeling in the Money Market, which was noticeable last week, tended to confirm this expectation. And though the balance had only risen to some 97 lakhs, being an increase of some four lakhs since the date of the previous Return the actual falling off in the trade demand had been over 22½ lakhs, an increase in Private Deposits, and a diminution both in Loans and Bills Discounted having brought about this result, which, however, was neutralized principally by considerable Government withdrawals at the head office. The feeling both here and at the other side of India is, no doubt, easier; and a reduction of the rates of the Bank of Bengal by two per cent. yesterday has been followed by a similar movement of our own Presidency Bank this afternoon, the minimum thus standing now at 10 per cent., while that of the Bank of Bengal is 9 per cent. per annum.

EXCHANGE.—Opening on last mail day at 1s. 5¾d. for Demand Bank Bills, and at 1s. 5 15-16 to 31-32d. for three months' sight Credits, this market was unsettled and irregular all day with rates difficult to quote; but the feeling was firm at closing. On Saturday the feeling at opening was quiet, with 1s. 5 11-16d. named for Bank Telegraphic, and 1s. 5 29-32d. for three months' sight Credits; but no Merchants' Bills coming out, and some demand for remittance setting in rates gave way, and the Bank would not quote a ready selling rate, though forward Wire Transfer was still quoted at 1s. 5½d., at which a fair amount was put through for the monsoon months. The market remained quiet all day on Monday, with only a moderate demand for remittance and a very limited supply of Mercantile Paper. Bank Telegraphic was still offering, for monsoon transfer, at 1s. 5½d., and three months' sight Credits, for late May delivery, might have been placed on slightly better terms than the ready rate, 1s. 5 13-16d. On Tuesday business was quite upset by the news relating to Silver, from which it appeared that the Committee of the American Congress had abandoned the proposed Silver Purchase Bill. Opening weak in the morning the market declined rapidly during the day. No Merchants' Bills came out early in the day, and in the afternoon 1s. 5 15-32d. ready, and 1s. 5 7-16d. for next mail, were done in three months' sight credits, and it was reported that Bills had been placed for the last mail in May at 1s. 5 5-16d. Bank Demand was done to a small extent at 1s. 5 9-16d. and fell rapidly thereafter, being, at closing, nominal for ready, while no quotation was given for purchased delivery. Yesterday the market was very irregular, and a general disinclination to do business pending the allotment of Councils was manifested. Rates opened in the morning at 1s. 5 3-16d. for Demand Bank Bills, and at 1s. 5 11-32d, for three months' sight Credits, at which more business was done. A decidedly firmer feeling, however, set in thereafter, and for some time the Banks refused to buy until 1s. 5 7-16d. was reached when a fair business was done; and in the afternoon Merchants' Bills were reported to have been placed at 1s. 5 15-32d. Telegrams to hand this morning advised a recovery in the price of Silver to 46d. per oz. and the allottment of 35 lakhs of Wire Transfers to the three Presidencies at 1s. 5⅝d. as well as 20 lakhs extra (19 of which were on Bombay), at 1s. 5⅜ to 7-16d.; and the renewed excitement in Silver has made this market very strong, and although a few Credits were sold at 1s. 5 19-32d. the general rate soon became 1s. 5⅝d. At the advance established in the morning some demand set in for remittance, and rates receded about 1-32d. Credits were said to be saleable at 1s. 5 19-32d. at the close for ready delivery; but the rate is scarcely probable. We quote:

Bank Bills on Demand	1s. 5 15-32 to ¼d.	per rupee.	
Do. Telegraphic	1s. 5 7-16d.		"
Do. 3 months' sight	1s. 5 17-32d.		"
Do. 4 "	...1s. 5 9-16d.		"
Do. 6 "	...1s. 5 5-8d.		"
Credit 3 "	...1s. 5 5-8d.		"
Do. 6 "	...1s. 5 23-32d.		"
Documents 3 "	...1s. 5 21-32d.		"
Do. 6 "	...1s. 5⅔d.		"
France 3 "	...185½		"
Do. 6 "	...186½		"

The usual weekly official Returns relating to Silver at the Mint give the following particulars:—

Value of Silver in the Mint for the week ending 23rd April, 1890	Rs. 80,71,274
Silver received during the week	" 33,67,962
	Rs. 114,38,636
New coin paid during the week	" 33,04,317
	Rs. 81,34,319
Bullion belonging to private individuals	" 86,55,936
	Rs. 167,90,255
Last week	" 1,78,91,099

GOVERNMENT PAPER was firm last Friday at a sensible advance in rates, the cash price of Fours having gone up to 100⅜, and the next account to 100⅜, these rates having been maintained to the close. For the May settlement, 101 1-16 was quoted, but no business was reported on that line. Some further upward movement took place on Saturday. Four per cents having advanced to 100 7-16 for cash, which was the closing rate, while for the accounts at the end of this and next month 100½ and 100⅝ were respectively quoted. On Monday a further advance of at least ⅛th per cent. was established in Fours, the cash price having been maintained at the enhanced quotation of 100 9-16 during the greater part of the day and closed at 100⅝, sellers; while for the two next accounts 100⅝ and 101, respectively, were the ruling rates. There was no movement on Tuesday in the cash price of Fours, which remained steady at 100⅜; but for the two next accounts higher rates were quoted, say 100⅝ for the end of the month, and 101¼ for the May settlement. The market remained very quiet but steady for Money during the greater part of yesterday at 100⅜, but at closing, 1-16 per cent. higher was quoted. For Account, however, rates were rather weaker, 100 11-16 having been quoted for the coming settlement, and 101 1-16 for the end of next month. To-day a weaker feeling has prevailed for Fours per cash, the rate for which after receding materially closed at 100¼. On the other hand, the rate for next month's settlement has advanced considerably, as high as 101⅜ having at one time been quoted through, at closing, ten per cent. of the advance had been lost. The price of 4½ per cents has been put up to 102½, nominal.

Five per cent. Municipal Loan is ¼ per cent. higher, at 104; Port Trust Bonds are unchanged, at 95.

SHARES have not been much dealt in on any line during the past week; but the tendency in Cotton Mill shares has continued to be in favour of holders of that scrip, and a material advance has been established in a number of cases. Compared with our quotations of a week ago, City of Bombay and Indian Manufacturing have advanced Rs. 30 each; Luckmidas, Rs. 2½; Manockje Petit, Rs. 25; Connaught, Rs. 15; Alliance, David, Empress, and Hindustan, Rs. 10 each; and Jamshed, Rs. 7½. New Great Eastern are Rs. 10 lower; Mofussil Press shares are Rs. 7½ higher; Fort Press are Rs. 25 down. Bombay-Burma Trading, first issue, are Rs. 50, and the third issue Rs. 5 higher. Bank of Bombay shares have advanced Rs. 2½.

IMPORTS.

PIECE-GOODS.—There has been a satisfactory demand for staple Grey Goods during the past week, dealers, assisted by the rise on Exchange, having been able to accept a small decline in rates for sales for forward delivery. Some descriptions have advanced a little in consequence of the firmer market in Manchester, but such cases are quite exceptional, rates generally having ruled in buyers' favour. In Bleached Goods, a moderate demand has been experienced for Mulls, Jacconets, and Nainsooks, at fully previous rates, with a steady feeling prevailing. In Dyed, Turkey Red, and Printed Goods only a small business has been passing at current rates. Local Goods have been steady at last week's quotations. The clearances of Imperial Goods during the week are put down at 4,500 packages; while the off-take of Local Cloths is estimated at about 2,000 bales.

YARN.—There has been a marked increase of demand for Imported Twist during the past week, and a considerable business has transpired; prices, however, show no quotable change, and the market closes steady. Of *Local Spinnings*, advices from China give the sales for the fortnight ending on last Monday at 9,000 bales, with Exchange at Rs. 221½, or about Rs. 2 higher. In presence of this news local spinners have shown increased firmness, and have declined to sell unless at higher rates. The position of dealers is strengthened by recent forward delivery sales, which are considered large enough to support the market for at least one to one-and-a-half months to come. Rates are somewhat higher, and the market closes firm at the following official quotations, the week's purchases being put down at about 6,000 bales:—

Twist...	...No. 6s	Mule, As.	Per lb.
" ...	... " 8s	" "	5⅜ "
" ...	... " 10s	" "	5⅜ to 5½ "
" ...	... " 12s	" "	5½ "
" ...	... " 16s	" "	6 to 6⅛ "
" ...	... " 20s	" "	6⅛ to 6½ "
" ...	... " 24s	" "	6½ to 7¼ "
" ...	... " 30s	" "	7½ to 8⅜ "
" ...	... " 40s	" "	9 to 9⅝ "

METALS.—Copper has been taken to a moderate extent in a steady market with prices quite unchanged. Only a small business has been passing in Yellow Metal, and prices have given way 8 annas per cwt. the market closing quiet at the decline. Little has transpired in Iron, and Swadeshi Bars are 8 annas per cwt. lower. Sheets and Hoops, however, are 8 annas to Re. 1 higher, and the tone at closing was steady.

COAL.—This market has been very firm for ready lots during the past week. Owing to the smallness of arrivals, and the almost bare condition of the Bunders, somewhat of a squeeze has been felt for Coals on the spot, Cardiff being in strong demand at Rs. 22, and Davison's West Hartley at Rs. 21 per ton from alongside. For forward shipment a demand exists chiefly on the part of dealers, and which has been freely met by importers. Sales are reported of three cargoes of Powell's, May-June shipment, at Rs. 20 and Rs. 20½; and two cargoes of Davison's, of April and May shipment at Rs. 18½ and Rs 19 per ton. The market closes steady at our quotations, say:

Powell's	Rs. 22	ready, Rs. 20	forward.
Davison's West Hartley	" 21	" "	18½ "
Welsh Hartley	" 20	" "	17 "

EXPORTS.

COTTON.—Last week closed with a quiet market for this staple, business continuing on a moderate scale, and chiefly for local account, but the feeling remained steady, and prices were unaltered. On Monday, no change was noticeable in the tone of the market, but business was even more restricted, hardly any demand having been felt either for export or local consumption, but on the following day in presence of the rapid fall in exchange exporters showed more disposition to operate and a considerable business was transacted on about the bases of previous rates. The enquiry fell off again yesterday, however, and transactions were on a small scale; the one of the market becoming quiet again. Julgaum, at Rs. 190-205; and Bengals at Rs. 175-93, have been the only growths chiefly taken during the past week; but Dharwar has attracted some attention, and several lots have changed hands, at Rs. 215-16. Dhollera descriptions have also been in some request, the principal purchases having been in Wadwan, at Rs. 208-9½; Mowa, at Rs. 219-25; Veraval, at Rs. 178-205; and Veerumgaum Ginned, at Rs. 198 per candy. Some Amli Ginned has also been taken at Rs. 234. The other purchases reported have been principally in Sheogaum, at Rs. 201; Oojein, at Rs. 200; Compta and Vingorla, at Rs. 195-7; Broach, at Rs. 253; and Jafrabad at Rs. 213 per candy. The market closed dull this evening, with prices for Bengals and Broach Re. 1 higher, and for other descriptions Re. 1 to Rs. 2 lower than last week's quotations.

The Receipts of Cotton of the present season's crop during the last week have been 93,800 bales, as against 102,500 arrived during the preceding week, and 68,100 bales to hand in the corresponding week last season. The excess in Receipts of new crop Cotton this season compared with last has now reached at 191,700 bales.

The following are to-day's quotations for full-pressed Cotton with the equivalents in Sterling, Cost, and Freight to Liverpool via Canal without Commission, viz:—

Cotton—	Per candy.	Per lb. O & F
Bengal Fine	Rs. 196	= 4¾d
Do Fully Good	" 186	= 4 3-16d
Do Good	" 176	= 3 31-32d
Belatee, Fine	" 198	= 4 7-16d
Do. Fully Good	" 193	= 4 5-16d
Do. Good	" 190	= 4¼d
Oomra, Fully Good (Good Staple)	" 221	= 4 29-32d
Do. Good	" 215	= 4 25-32d
Khandeish, Fully Good	" 201	= 4¼d
Do. Good	" 195	= 4 3-32d
Broach, Fine	" 256	= 5 21-32d
Do. Good	" 244	= 5 13-32d
Dhollera, Fine (Apr-May)	" 224	= 4 31-32d
Do. Fully Good do	" 21 4	= 4 25-32d
Do. Good do	" 204	= 4 9-16d
S-G Dharwar, Good (May)	" 222	= 4 15-16d
Westerns Good, (May-June)	" 216	= 4 13-16d

The Arrivals of New Cotton into Bombay this season, as compared with last, are as follows:—

	Season. 1889-90. Bales.	Season. 1888-89. Bales.
Bengals	335,000	246,000
Berar	339,500	348,000
Khandeish	247,500	248,800
Barsi and Nugger	106,500	97,500
Hinganghat	26,800	24,800
Broach	196,000	135,000
Dhollera	180,000	158,000
Sind and Persian	47,000	27,000
Compta and Dharwar.	7,500	9,000
	1,485,800	1,294,100

The movements of Cotton to date show the following comparison with the previous two years:—

Receipts.	1890.	1889.	1888.
For the Week	91,081	71,278	57,918
From 1st Jan. to 23rd April	1,224,501	1,131,561	882,008
Clearances to Great Britain and Continent.			
For the Week	73,095	59,763	46,450
From 1st Jan. to 23rd April	817,988	738,746	469,143
Clearances to Calcutta, China, &c.			
For the Week	4,361	1,163	650
From 1st Jan. to 23rd April	27,839	13,701	11,644

WHEAT.—Business has been upon only a moderate scale in this market throughout the week, but the tone has been steady, and rates have been maintained for all descriptions. The arrivals of Wheat since the beginning of the present year show a decrease of over half a million cwt.

SEEDS remained quiet to the close of last week, with only a small business passing; but on Monday a brisk demand, especially for Linseed set in, and considerable transactions took place, that description advancing 1 anna per cwt. in value. Thereafter, demand from shippers subsided, and the feeling became quiet; but yesterday again a good demand was felt, and Linseed advanced further to Rs. 6-8-3 to Rs. 6-13-0 per cwt., other descriptions being unchanged, but steady at previous quotations.

The Comparative Imports of Wheat and Seeds, are as follows:—

	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.
Wheat for the Week	257,801	352,496	433,391
Do. from 1st Jan to 23rd Apl	1,671,320	2,214,675	2,560,109
Linseed for the Week	131,786	75,618	117,918
Do. from 1st Jan to 23rd Apl	1,119,488	819,597	1,070,036
Rapeseed for the Week	61,432	105,864	77,759
Do. from 1st Jan to 23rd Apl	590,260	500,507	298,515
Gingelly seed for the Week	25,535	21,933	8,005
Do. from 1st Jan to 23rd Apl	574,160	569,339	575,866

The clearances of Wheat and Seeds to Great Britain and Continent are as follows:—

Wheat for the Week	147,516	151,016	193,290
Do. from 1st Jan. to 23rd April	1,190,479	2,217,760	1,441,678
Linseed for the Week	78,509	28,499	82,339
Do. from 1st Jan. to 23rd April	715,347	730,159	839,190
Rapeseed for the Week	37,033	16,120	43,187
Do. from 1st Jan. to 23rd April	391,596	450,437	178,828
Gingelly seed for the Week	49,333	16,097	24,223
Do. from 1st Jan. to 23rd April	601,941	525,649	629,055

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

THE CHARGE FOR NOTIFYING A DOMESTIC OCCURRENCE IS TWO RUPEES. THE ANNOUNCEMENT MUST BE AUTHENTICATED.

BOMBAY.

DEATH.

MAHIMWALLA—April 24, at Shapur Sett Chakla, Fort, Bai Perozebai, widow of late Sorabjee Rustomjee Mahimwalla and mother of Shapurjee and Ardesher Sorabjee Mahimwalla, Brokers, aged 76. Funeral ceremony this day (Friday) at 7 a.m.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTHS.

HARVEST—April 11, at Deesa, the wife of H. D. Harvest, 1st Leinster Regiment (Royal Canadians), attached 20th Bombay Infantry, of a daughter.

KENNEDY—April 17, at Barabanki, the wife of A. B. Kennedy, Opium Department, of a son.

OGILVIE—April 20, at Bangalore, the wife of the Rev. J. N. Ogilvie, Chaplain, of a son.

DEATHS.

DOCHERTY—April 17, at Haldwani, after a long illness, Harriet, wife of Mr. John Docherty, aged 56 years.

ROBERTS—April 16, at Khushab, Reginald, the dearly loved infant son of R. W. Roberts, Executive Engineer, aged 6 weeks.

The Bombay Gazette

FRIDAY, APRIL 25, 1890.

THE retirement of Prince Bismarck sent a thrill of uneasiness through the Powers linked with Germany by his masterful diplomacy in the bonds of the Triple Alliance—the famous League of Peace which has so enormously increased the weight of the armaments of all Europe. It was instinctively felt that the resignation could not be altogether voluntary, and that it portended some new departure, the nature of which could not be clearly foreseen. Reasonably enough it was argued that the Emperor William would not acquiesce in the withdrawal of the great Chancellor from public life if some measure of great moment which he could not be brought to approve was not in contemplation. The papers brought out by the mail which has just arrived shows that these misgivings were justified. For one thing it is now pretty clear that the Emperor and Prince Bismarck did not part on quite friendly terms. The title of the Duke of Lauenberg, which was conferred on his Imperial Majesty, was refused with decision by the Chancellor even when pressed to accept it by the Emperor himself. The Emperor with equal determination informed the ex-Chancellor that the ducal title having been publicly bestowed was irrevocable. The Prince remembering apparently that a horse taken to the well is under no obligation to drink, finally agreed to accept the new rank on condition that he should be only known by the name which has taken a place in history, as Furst von Bismarck; and by that designation only he is mentioned in the *Official Gazette*. An Austro-Hungarian newspaper which is one of Prince Bismarck's organs, states that it is not a matter of doubt that the Emperor William is determined to act on the advice given him by his grandfather on his death-bed to base his policy on the traditional friendship which has always existed between Russia and the Hohenzollerns. It further appears that immediately after the resignation of Prince Bismarck, the Emperor authorised General Schweins, the German Ambassador at St. Petersburg, to inform the Czar that his Majesty accepted the invitation to attend the army manœuvres at Krasnoe Seloe this summer. The invitation had been sent some time before, but was not accepted while the Chancellor was in office. At the same time the Emperor William gave assurances to Count Schouvaloff, which were most favourably received by the Czar. It is stated that the knowledge of this cordial understanding between the Emperor of Russia and Germany has caused a feeling of great uneasiness in Vienna. The well-informed Vienna correspondent of the *Times* states that the inferences drawn do not appear to be exaggerated. An intimate understanding between St. Petersburg and Berlin is incompatible with the purpose for which the Triple Alliance was brought about—to present a united front against possible aggression by Russia and France.

A new grouping of the Powers would be a very serious affair for those left out in the cold. It is not to be supposed that Russia would alienate France by entering into arrangements with Germany without her concurrence, for the Northern Power would in that case find herself without an ally if the Three Powers proved exacting or unaccommodating. As a measure of ordinary political prudence Russia would stipulate for conditions which would satisfy France. It is even stated that the necessary compensations could only be found at the expense of Austria-Hungary. The implication seems to be that Germany would satisfy France and Russia by an arrangement with regard to Alsace and Lorraine, and obtain as the price of a concession on that side, the German provinces of Austria. That such a solution has come to be regarded as possible is in itself a portent for those who have made their calculations in the belief that the Triple Alliance would endure—well, say, as long as the Treaty of Vienna lasted. A further indication that the Emperor William desires to establish a good understanding with France, is found in the marked attention according to M. Jules Simon, who with other delegates went to Berlin at the invitation of the Emperor to take part in the Labour Conference. His Majesty placed M. Simon on his right hand at luncheon and at dinner, and conversed with him with extreme courtesy in Parisian French, which he speaks fluently. M. Simon on his return to Paris stated that the reception of the French delegates was flattering to France. The Emperor, he asserted, had no time to think of war, being occupied with the reforms of the very highest importance which are intended to ameliorate the condition of the working classes throughout Europe. The Emperor made such an impression on the experienced French statesman that the latter declared with emphasis that the Kaiser must have changed very much during the last few months, or else must have been very badly described. It is significant that all this has been eagerly reproduced in French newspapers, sixteen interviewers waiting on M. Simon to receive confirmation of the interesting revelation that the Emperor William is not an irreconcilable neighbour. This is satisfactory enough from the French point of view, but we can easily understand that in Vienna and Rome the new aspect of affairs has given rise to very serious thoughts. An alliance between Germany, Russia, and France would be far more formidable than the Triple Alliance, for Austria and Italy could not oppose to it a force at all comparable to that which France and Russia could in the last resort put in the field against the League of Peace. Prince Bismarck was able to get money from the Reichsrath by pointing to the fact that while the Triple Alliance disposed of "only" five millions of armed men, Russia and France between them counted eight millions. If to those eight millions were added the three millions of Germany, Austria and Italy could not lift a finger against them: those States would sink to the second rank and be as powerless as Holland or Spain in the presence of such a portentous combination. Happily for the independence of the Continent and the future of mankind, the mutual jealousies of Russia and Germany on the one side and Germany and France on the other, render such a consummation as unlikely as it is undesirable.

But though both unlikely and undesirable it cannot be dismissed as wholly impossible. The *Standard's* Paris correspondent states that a telegram, ostensibly from Berlin, published by the organ of M. Carnot, is believed to have its real origin in a communication made by M. Simon to the Foreign Office after his interview with the Emperor. The telegram states that the Emperor has in contemplation a political scheme which if realised would "profoundly modify the situation created by the events of 1870." The meaning of this is clear enough. The Emperor, it is further stated, was so painfully impressed by the nature of the relations between Germany and France, that he intimated to Prince Bismarck his intention to adopt a different line of policy. The Chancellor declining, the Emperor resolved to part with him and to carry out his own views. It appears that an intimation was made by the Emperor to a high personage that he hoped that better relations would be soon established not only with Switzerland, but with France. So far as the indications serve, it would seem that the Emperor William's desire to heal the old breach with France may be to a certain extent influenced by his determination to be himself the real head of the Socialistic movement in Germany and in Europe, where the monarchical principle seems to him to be in some danger of being submerged by forces which cannot be controlled by the old methods. His Majesty has declared that the chief difference between himself and the Socialist leaders is that while they and he make promises, he alone has the power to keep them. In a remarkable pamphlet published in Berlin, the authorship of which is on internal evidence, attributed to the Emperor, this statement is repeated and the writer distinctly assigns as the reason for the retirement of Prince Bismarck that alike in internal and foreign affairs the views of the veteran minister were no longer in harmony with modern needs. The telegram to Vienna giving the purport of this pamphlet seemed so startling, trenching as it did on matters of State of the highest importance, that the Prussian subordinates at first refused to transmit it. The subject was referred to the Emperor and after some delay instructions were given to forward the telegram. When published in Vienna and the circumstances of its transmission became known the feeling of anxiety already prevailing was not unnaturally deepened. It would be easy to attach undue importance to such trifles, but it would be a mistake to ignore them. The unexpected may happen. An understanding with Russia, and a reconciliation with France which would put an end to apprehensions of war for the recovery of the lost Provinces would render possible a general disarmament, which would give immense and immediate relief to the populations whose sufferings the Emperor is so anxious to mitigate even by taking some chapters from the Socialist Gospel.

MR. MADHOWDAS RAGUNATHDAS has lately published for private circulation a small book which tells in a deeply interesting way of the social penalties which wait upon a high caste Hindu who ventures upon so daringly original an act as the marriage of a widow. No one in India could have told the story as well as he, for no one has done so much as he to vindicate personal liberty against caste restrictions. Not only was Mr. Madhowdas the first in his caste—the Capole Banyas—to marry a widow, but his hospitality and help have for many years past been at the disposition of Hindu widows restrained by nothing but the dictates of their caste from entering upon a second marriage. So far as we know he has written little and made few speeches in the cause of social amelioration; but he has made many sacrifices and resisted much contumely and persecution in the cause, and no one has done more than he has in its behalf. The book is in many respects necessarily contentious, and it is for that reason doubtless that Mr. Madhowdas is not at present disposed to give it free currency. The names of many prominent citizens, many of them surviving and others only recently deceased, are involved in his account of the pains and penalties which his caste have sought to impose upon him. We would suggest that a new edition of the work should be prepared for wider circulation, in which the personal element might be put somewhat in the background, or in which Mr. Madhowdas's persecutors, who seem to have used him very badly from the first, might be presented anonymously. Mr. Madhowdas's career as a reformer began in 1871, when he advertised in one of the vernacular papers his willingness to give a reward of Rs. 500 to anyone who would find him a widow of his caste willing to marry him. This he did with a full consciousness that he was inviting the penalty of excommunication, but with the confidence that British law was just enough and strong enough to protect him against the worst that his caste might do to him. As he told Sir Mungaldas Nathoobhoy, who remonstrated with him on his temerity, "I wanted to show by my example that it is possible for an excommunicated man to stand alone, and yet to live in peace and comfort." Peace and comfort may have come to him in his later years, but in the beginning and for years after his marriage he had to pay dearly in persecution and discomfort for his independence. The story of his courtship, if such a term has any meaning in Hindu society, will strike the western reader into whose hands it may fall as an exceedingly curious one. The first direct proposal of marriage came from the lady, though a mutual friend had advised Mr. Madhowdas to give an encouraging reception to the widow if she went to see him. The widow did go, she talked the matter over with the widower, and to make a long story short she accepted her opportunity. The venture made large demands upon the courage of both. The strictest secrecy had to be kept, and no lover's flight that was ever undertaken needed more careful precautions. Sir Frank Souter, the then Commissioner of Police, had to be taken into Mr. Madhowdas's confidence, for physical violence was feared, and the police had to be sent to the trysting place on Malabar Hill, as well as to the bungalow at Chinchpoogly which had been secured for the marriage ceremony. It is to the credit of those whom the adventurous bridegroom feared that the ceremony passed off in peace, that the police had nothing to do, and that the four powerful Pathans who mounted guard on the nuptial night had no assailants to beat back. The consternation in the community when the marriage was made known next day was profound. But Mr. Madhowdas's caste-men were not long in giving a serious practical demonstration of their discontent. A meeting of the caste was held a few days after the marriage, and resolutions were passed excommunicating the newly-married couple. He was made to suffer in other ways. Mr. Madhowdas's business was endangered by the rumours that were sedulously put abroad as to his financial position. Respecting one family of high position in the caste he tells us that they never missed a single opportunity of molesting him. They interdicted the Brahmins of his caste from performing religious ceremonies in his house. They even prohibited Brahmin cooks from serving him. Of the social ill-usage to which he was subjected Mr. Madhowdas gives a multitude of instances. Desperate efforts for example were made to have his name removed from the Government House list while the Hon. Mr. Ashburner was Acting Governor of Bombay. These attempts were severely discouraged in high places, and Mr. Madhowdas says "Ever since that time I have been asked to all the Government House parties to which natives are invited, and I take this opportunity to thank our just and impartial Government for thus giving a sort of recognition to widow remarriage." The latest incident of this sort of persecution was recently referred to in our columns, and it is only note-worthy so far as it shows that after twenty years caste animosities can subsist in all their original virulence. The story of course is a story with a moral, and it is this—that social reform from within is not likely to be effective on a large scale, and that Government intervention is necessary in order to protect personal liberty against the thraldom of social persecution. "I firmly believe," says Mr. Madhowdas, "that judicious Government intervention can do an incalculable amount of good. The Act of 1856 must be strengthened and supported by punitive classes which may have a deterrent effect upon the Shettias." This brings us face to face with a very delicate question, but it is not surprising that a social reformer who has had Mr. Madhowdas's experience should look for a somewhat drastic remedy against the undoubted hardships which fall upon any man who finds himself in collision with his caste.

THE people of Goa must be thankful for small mercies if they set much store upon the modest instalment of the blessings of Constitutional Government which they are permitted to enjoy under the Portuguese Monarchy. They have just been in the throes of a general election, having had to send three deputies to the Cortes, for which the elections in Portugal itself were held at the end of last month. We will not trust ourselves far in the mazes of Goanese politics, for party spirit runs so high amongst our cheerful neighbours in Goa that whatever may be written concerning a general election in that country is sure to be contradicted by one party or the other. The only fact that so far as we are aware is safe against dispute is that only one of the three provinces of Portuguese India—the Province of Salsette—has been enlivened by a contest, the other provinces, Bardez and the Ilhas, having for the sake of a quiet life re-elected their old deputies, both of them supporters of the Government. Salsette is the only province that has thus far had the enterprise to be, like the Irish immigrant in New York, "agin the Government." When last year it elected one of its own sons in the person of Senhor Christovam Pinto, it showed an unheard-of independence, and it seems that when the writs for this election reached Goa peremptory instructions came from Lisbon that under no circumstances was the constituency to be permitted to repeat the audacity of sending to the Cortes the candidate whom it liked best. In another column a remarkable account is given of the way in which the Governor-General has carried out his instructions. To complete this account, it should be explained that the strictly limited franchise with which Portuguese India is endowed is exercised by committees nominated in each of the wards by a Central Provincial Committee. The Government seem first to have threatened the Provincial Committee by a display of military force; then to have carried off the list of ward committees much as a Democrat committee in South Carolina would carry off a ballot-box too heavily laden with Republican voting papers, and then to have nominated committees of their own. There has been bloodshed, too, as the Governor General's mandatory is said to have threatened there would be, for a Regidor's finger has been cut off—a not insignificant contribution to the sacrifice nobly offered by one of the popular party when protesting against official threats and tyranny. The story of the Salsette election reads, on a small scale, very much like a chapter taken out of the electoral history of the Second Empire. The Governor-General of Goa, had he been a Prefect under Louis Napoleon, would have been rewarded by a dukedom at least for such a resolute stand against the anarchical ways of a people who object to vote as the Government want them to. The wonder is that after having taken all this trouble to get the official candidate elected the administration should have been debarred by the mere informality of Sunday's election from declaring their candidate duly elected. It is a mere detail, but it should be mentioned that the official candidate is Senhor Brandam, of whom the only thing that is known is that no one knows anything about him. Another attempt will doubtless be made to get this unknown gentleman elected. But the Goa Government should not be in a hurry. There will be "razors in the air," according to all appearances, and as the patriotic party are talking of offering their lives in the cause of liberty, it will be well for the Governor-General to keep his candidate in reserve until the army that went forth to the defence of Mozambique the other day is available for assisting in the electoral battles of Senhor Serpa Pimentel.

THE Bank of Bombay yesterday reduced its rate of interest on demand loans on Government paper to 10 per cent.

THE HON. A. F. BEAUFORT has been appointed a member of the Board of the Technical Institute, *vice* Colonel

TELEGRAMS.

[CENTRAL NEWS TELEGRAMS.]

RUSSIAN OFFICERS ON THE FRONTIER.

LONDON, APRIL 23.

Two Russian officers have joined the French geographical expedition, formed for the purpose of exploring vicinities in Asia, which border on the Indian frontiers.

THE STRIKES IN AUSTRIA. FATAL AFFRAY AT CRACOW.

VIENNA, APRIL 24.

The strikers at Cracow last night looted the shop in the Jews' quarter.

Troops were called out in defence of the citizens.

Eleven persons were killed and many others wounded.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

EAST INDIA ASSOCIATION MEETING.

LONDON, APRIL 24.

A meeting of the East India Association was held yesterday, Sir George Birdwood presiding.

Mr. Purdon Clarke read a paper on the best means of preserving the old Industrial Arts of India.

THE ALLAHABAD SEWAGE SCHEME.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, APRIL 24.

Doctor Voelcker has completed his enquiries for the preparation of a sewage scheme for Allahabad, which he will set about it at once.

THE ALLAHABAD POLICE FORCE.

The enquiry into the increase of crime and the inefficiency of the police in these Provinces and Oude goes to show that the rank-and-file are not adequately paid, and the prospects of promotion are insufficient to attract really good men.

A SUMMONS FOR BREACH OF SCHOOL DISCIPLINE.

Mr. J. Bradley, Contractor, residing here, applied for and obtained a summons to-day against Miss Lucy Jane Whitehead, head-mistress of All Saints' School, for thrashing his son, nine years old, contrary to school discipline. A medical examination showed fourteen contusions on various parts of the boy's person.

A SWITCHBACK RAILWAY,

Messrs. Wittenberry and Wadia are constructing a switchback railway in this station.

THE ARMY TEMPERANCE CAUSE.

Mr. Henry Whymper, of the Murree Brewery, having observed a letter in the Allahabad *Morning Post* from the Rev. Mr. Evans, the Temperance Missionary, censuring that paper for inserting an advertisement about beer from the Murree Brewery Company, replies and states that the Army Temperance Association solicited and obtained a beer advertisement from him last September, and that last January the reverend gentleman wrote and told him that temperance funds were so low that an advance payment for the Company's advertisement would greatly assist the association. He concludes by saying that the advertisement published in the *Morning Post* was not solicited, while that in the paper belonging to the Temperance Association was solicited, and was published with the remark that a member of any temperance association may drink the Company's beers with the best possible results to himself.

THE CONGRESS AND LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL REFORM.

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT).

POONA, APRIL 24.

The Deccan Congress Committee closed to-day their work of sending the petitions to Parliament, regarding the Legislative Council reform. The total number of petitions sent amount to 107, and signatures about thirty-five thousand.

THE MAILS.

ADEN, APRIL 23.

The P. and O. Co.'s s. s. Pekin, with the homeward Indian mails of 18th instant, arrived here at 7 p.m. to-day.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

COLOMBO, APRIL 23.

The P. and O. Co.'s s. s. Mirzapore, with China and Australian mails, left here for Bombay at 2 p.m. to-day.

The M. M. s. s. Zarra left Aden for Marseilles on Sunday, the 20th April, at 4 p.m.

The M. M. s. s. Peiho left Aden for Zanzibar, &c., on Thursday, the 24th April, at 4 a.m.

The M. M. s. s. Labourdonnais left Aden for Bombay via Kurrachee at 7 a.m. on 24th instant.

COMMERCIAL NEWS.

LONDON, APRIL 23.

The Liverpool Cotton Market closed steady. Surats steady.

The Manchester Market has been quieter.

Good Dhollera	4 11-16d.
7 lbs. Shirtings	5s. 4d.
8¼ " "	6s. 6¼d.
40's Mule Twist	9¼d.
Exchange on India, 30 days' sight	1s. 5⅛d.
2½ per cent. Consols for account	98
3 per cent. French Rentes	88¼
4 per cent. Rupee paper	73¼ Nominal.
4½ per cent. "	75¾
3½ per cent. Sterling Loan	108½
Bar Silver	46d. per oz.

TELEGRAPHIC WEATHER REPORT

SIMLA, April 24.—Barometer has fallen rapidly in the Punjab, briskly down the Gangetic Plain and Assam, slowly in the Central Provinces and the Circars; it is risen elsewhere. Pressure is low in north-western India, and the Gangetic Plain, and very small depression in Central Punjab. Readings are high in the south of the peninsula. Wind is feebly cyclonic in the Punjab, easterly in North Bengal, generally westerly elsewhere. Force is fresh to strong in Sind, Kathiawar, and the Konkan, very strong at the head of Bay. The temperature everywhere is high for the season, excess is greatest in the Punjab and Central Provinces, maxima 110 is reported from Kurnool and Allahabad. Showers are reported in Malabar, Assam, East Bengal, and Burmah. Showers are likely to continue in the latter regions, and thundershowers are probable in North Punjab.

THERMOMETER READINGS.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT, APRIL 23.

10 p.m.	83·1

THURSDAY, APRIL 24.

6 a.m.	82·3
10 a.m.	83·4
2 p.m.	84·3
4 p.m.	85·9

TELEGRAPHIC LINE REPORTS.

APRIL 24.

STATE OF INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATION.

Great Britain.—Via Teheran, perfect. Via Turkey, perfect. Via Suez, perfect.

Continent of Europe.—Via Teheran, perfect. Via Turkey, perfect. Via Suez, perfect.

America.—Via Brest, perfect. Via Valentia, perfect.

Australia.—Via Penang, perfect. Via Amoor, perfect.

China.—Via Penang, perfect. Via Amoor, perfect.

Mauritius mail closes Zanzibar at noon on the 30th instant.

Telegrams in code or cipher for Khartonon (Porto Novo), on the West Coast of Africa, are prohibited.

IMPROVEMENTS AT THE MALABAR HILL RESERVOIR.

THE past few months have been not without anxiety for the inhabitants of Bombay. Not long ago were threatened with an approaching water-famine, which at a heavy cost to the Municipality has been tided over. Improvements and alterations, too, have been going on at the Malabar Hill and Bhandarwada Reservoirs, but if any inconvenience has been felt in the city owing to empty pipes during some parts of the day, it is a relief to know that there is no fear of a scarcity of water during the present hot season. The improvements at the Malabar Hill Reservoir, which were referred to by Sir John Fowler early last year, were commenced a short time ago for the purpose of removing the difficulty experienced of supplying the city of Bombay with water when the reservoir was empty. The work, which has been carried on with great rapidity under the superintendence of Mr. Tomlinson, has gone on not only during the day, but by night with the aid of the electric light. The works at present sanctioned in connection with the distributing basin will, it is expected, be completed to-morrow, when the filling of the basin will be at once commenced. It is highly satisfactory that notwithstanding the speed with which the works have been pushed forward, no accident has so far occurred, and no serious inconvenience has been reported from the general public. The works already completed are the construction of the division wall between the distributing basin and the outlet wall, in which a turbine will be placed in a short space of time, in place of the pumping engine used at present. This will be a benefit in more ways than one. It will save the expenditure upon the steam pump; and residents in that locality will be glad of the abolition of the pump for another reason. They will suffer no longer from the nuisance caused by the smoke and the noise of the engines. Sludge pipes have already been put into the settling and distributing basins, and water cushions have been fixed under the outlets from the filters, in order to prevent any damage being done to the floor of the distributing clear-water basin. The construction of a small chamber, by which a supply can be given to the lower portions of Malabar Hill direct from the filters, without reference to the quantity of water stored in the distributing basin, is another improvement, and the asphalting of the floor of the settling basin which a few years ago was broken up in many places in order to permit of the insertion of columns to bear the roof will now be proceeded with, as Sir John Fowler recommended; the walls will be re-pointed inside whenever they appear to require it; while from the outside they have been very successfully treated, Portland cement having been injected by means of specially designed apparatus under pressure while the reservoir was full. The leaks have thus been treated one by one as they revealed themselves on the outside of the wall. This process is costly, and a most tedious one to boot; but in the end the walls will undoubtedly be brought into a practically water-tight condition. A special man has also by the recommendation of Sir John Fowler been selected by the Limmer Asphalt Company to superintend the laying down of the asphalt, and he only recently arrived upon the scene. It may also be mentioned here in conclusion that the repairs in the Bhundarwada Reservoir have just been commenced; and the Indian Patent Stone Company have undertaken to make one of the filter basins water-tight with a coating of their own special material.

ELECTION DISTURBANCES IN GOA.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

GOA, APRIL 21.

THE fears of an imminent conflict between the Government and popular party during the general elections have been verified, and in a greater degree than it was expected. The Governor-General having sent an ultimatum to the popular leader, Mr. J. I. de Loyala, and having failed to obtain a compromise, despatched on the 16th instant a force of ninety soldiers, who arrived at Margaum the next morning, accompanied by ten officers, under the command of Senhor Macedo e Pinto. The presence of the military increased the uneasiness of the public, and every one waited with anxiety in fear of a collision. What then occurred will appear from a succinct summary of the proceedings of the meeting of the electoral committee, which assembled to revise the list of voters, at noon, on the 18th instant, and concluded the work at 3 o'clock the next morning. The Administrador of the Provinces retired after sunset, and wished to close the proceedings, but the committee having continued the work, he returned after two hours, and examined the books and papers connected with the lists of voters, and having found them correct signed the documents. In the meantime many people not connected with the committee had assembled in the hall to watch the proceedings, when Senhor Macedo e Pinto entered the hall, accompanied with other officers, and demanded of the president, Dr. Pestaninho Veiga, that the hall be cleared of the public, as he had a secret message to communicate to the committee. Mr. Roque Correa Affonso objected to the demaud, in which the president also agreed, urging that it was a public meeting, and every citizen had a right to be present. The committee saw that these attempts were made to get hold of the papers relating to the elections, and, therefore, all the books and documents were collected, and the president now wished to remove them to some place of safety, when the Administrador pounced upon them, and put them under his arm. Mr. Correa Affonso suggested that the help of justice should be requisitioned to prevent the robbery of the papers. The judicial authorities refused to interfere, and the outsiders were dragged rudely, some of them receiving severe blows from the soldiers who began to parade in front of the hall forbidding communication between the committee and their outside adherents. By this time Senhor Macedo e Pinto ordered all the doors and windows to be closed, and having taken this precaution made a declaration on behalf of the Governor-General. He said that his Excellency has received direct instructions from the Lisbon Cabinet to obtain, by every means, the election of the official nominee, and that he was determined to employ the military force to secure his success. Nothing would prevent him from carrying out this determination, even the shedding of blood, if resistance were offered. Under these circumstances the responsibility for the result would lie upon the committee who attempted to thwart Government. He insisted that the committee should alter the names of the presidents of the several sub-committees, substituting for them names that he would supply, as they belonged to the Government party. If the committee agreed to this, the Government would recognise it as a favour, and would no more molest them. The committee, however, formally repelled the proposal, and the president declared that he would never deviate from the path of legality and morality. He would offer his breast as ready to receive a shot or a sword thrust, having the certainty that those who attempted such violent means would lower themselves in the public eyes. The president concluded that he would cede to nothing but violence, when he would be unable to resist, and that he would never commit an act in which he would not receive the unanimous support of the members. As soon as this was said Senhor Macedo e Pinto snatched the books and papers from the table, and the hall was immediately invaded by Government Agents. The military patrolled outside the hall, and the members were permitted for a few moments to come out of it.

The record of which the above is a summary was written late in the morning, when the guard had relaxed their vigilance, and a copy of it was given to the president in order to institute criminal proceedings.

The elections at Bardez and Ilhas went off quietly, there being no opposition to the official candidates, but in Salsette in every voting ward there have been conflicts between the rival parties. The sub-committee appointed by the central committee received the votes, and the Government appointed their own committee to receive the votes of their party. A detachment of soldiers was sent to every voting stations, and there have been struggles, but not of a serious nature, except that a *Regidor* had his finger cut off by a sword blow. After writing the above I hear that the Salsette election has been annulled, necessitating a new election, which has not yet been fixed.

MR. F. W. PORTER, Allahabad, C. S., lately had a very narrow escape coming down the hill from Simla. Both tats in his tonga turned a simultaneous and unintentional somersault, and scattered their fare pretty considerably. The Collector, however, soon collected himself, and another pair of animals, returning from the next changing station, were secured, and the journey ended happily.

THE ROYAL ARTILLERY ATHLETIC SPORTS.

THE annual garrison races were commenced yesterday afternoon at Colaba, no less than twelve events studding the card for the first day. A large attendance of officers and ladies was present on the grounds to witness the sports and watch the programme of events with the keenest interest. The Band of the Gloucester Regiment played a selection of music and added to the pleasure of the evening. The races went off with success, Captain J. H. Jellett officiating as starter. The following are the details:—

THROWING THE CRICKET BALL.

Gunner Jackson secured first prize, by outthrowing Gunner Rourke and Trumpeter Hartley, who obtained second and third places.

LONG JUMP.—Amongst a number of competitors Gunner Meara was close pushed by Gunner Lancaster, Gunner Eton making a good third.

MAN AND WHEEL-BARROW RACE.—This race was run in three heats, of which the final heat will be run on Saturday.

100 YARDS RACE.—Gunner Schwafer took the lead, and when he gained the post, Gunner Meara was close behind him, being followed by Gunner Jackson.

HANDICAP FOR WARRANT OFFICERS AND STAFF SERGEANTS.—Distance, 120 yards. Amongst the several competitors Master Gunner Clarke pulled it off from Sergeant Dymond by about two lengths.

GIRLS' RACE.—Miss Nelly Warder led from the start, Misses Annie Warder and Hilda Kelly securing second and third prizes.

TUG-OF-WAR.—The Third Southern Division Battery, after a hard struggle, pulled their opponents, the 22nd W. Battery, over the line.

TILTING AT THE RING.—This was an event which caused much amusement, the competitors having to pass a stick in through an open hole. If they missed their mark, they overturned a bucket of water suspended above them and received its full contents as they passed beneath it in a wheel-barrow. As several heats scored ties, the final heat was postponed till Saturday.

OFFICERS' HANDICAP RACE.—The last item on the programme was the Officers' Handicap Race. Colonel Pearse, who had an advantage in being placed in the last position nearest home, led from start to finish, and was closely followed by Lieut. Singer, who came in a good second. The events of the evening were brought to a close with the playing of the National Anthem.

THE BYCULLA JEWEL ROBBERY.

AT the Girgaum Police Court yesterday, Inspector Nolan brought up on remand and charged Sudroodeen Mahomed Buksh *alias* Nusseerudeen before Mr. P. Ryan, with the theft of gold and silver jewellery, set with precious stones, of the collective value of Rs. 525, and Rs. 4 in cash, the property of Mr. J. J. Marsland, an accountant in the firm of Messrs. Richardson and Cruddas, from his residence on Parell Road, Byculla, on the 25th January last, and also with receiving and retaining the said property, knowing the same to have been stolen. On the theft being reported to the police soon after it was discovered on the date in question, the accused, who was a domestic servant in the employ of Mr. Filmer Guy, who was lodging with Mr. Marsland at the time, was arrested along with the other servants of Mr. Marsland, on suspicion. Enquiries were instituted by the police, and as no trace could be found of the stolen property or anything to implicate the persons arrested, they were released. A month after Mr. Filmer Guy left Bombay for Ajmere, and the accused, his servant, left with him. While at Ajmere and at other up-country stations Mr. Filmer Guy's suspicions were aroused by seeing his servant spending money rather extravagantly, and brought the matter to the notice of the Railway Police there. The accused was arrested and on being searched three diamonds and seven rubies were found concealed among in his clothes. Accused was brought on to Bombay and handed over to the executive police here. They made further enquiries into the matter, but no trace of the gold and silver jewellery could be found, although the three diamonds and rubies were identified by Mr. Marsland as the precious stones that were extracted from the jewellery stolen from his premises in January. The accused in his defence stated that his father had left him a considerable quantity of gold and silver ornaments and precious stones, and the precious stones found in his possession were a portion of that property. He had no witnesses to call to substantiate that statement. The Magistrate convicted Sudroodeen Mahomed Buksh on a charge of receiving and retaining the said property, knowing the same to have been stolen, and sentenced him to a term of six months' rigorous imprisonment.

DR. RANINA ON "LIGHT."

DR. RUSTOM N. R. RANINA delivered on Tuesday, the 15th instant, before a crowded audience at the Framjee Cowasjee Institute, a popular and interesting lecture on "The Course of Light through a Lens." It was the fifth public lecture of the season in connection with the Dayan Prasarak Mandali, and was illustrated with diagrams and lantern scenes.

Dr. Ranina said that he proposed to discuss that evening some of the laws regulating the course of light while passing through different media, but before going to that part of his subject, he would say a few words about the nature of light. After giving a brief but clear and lucid explanation of the *emission theory* and the *undulatory theory* of light, the lecturer proceeded to the subject-proper of the evening, stating that he had discovered a royal way of making a lecture of that sort really popular and interesting. Instead of regularly enunciating and describing the laws of the course of light, he would examine before the meeting the structure of the magic lantern; because the principle on which that curious little instrument worked involved a study of the course of light through different sorts of lenses. In explaining the structure of the magic lantern to the meeting, Dr. Ranina said, he would divide it into two parts, *viz.*, the body of the lantern which was a six-sided wooden box holding within it a lamp, and the cylindrical tube, which projected beyond the body. The lamp, said the lecturer, was a common oil lamp with four wicks, and a reflector behind the flame, to throw the light on to the condenser. Here the lecturer passed to describe and illustrate with diagrams the various laws of reflexion from curved mirrors, such as the concave and convex spherical mirrors and the parabolic mirror. He also referred to the limelight, that had of late replaced the oil lamp in the magic lantern exhibitions. Going on to the "condenser," the lecturer observed that it was a bi'-convex lens, fixed in the front wall of the body of the lantern, and used for the purpose of collecting or "picking up" the rays of light, and transmitting them, through the slide, "to the objective." He then dilated at some length on the different foci of a lens and on the convergence and divergence of the rays of light passing through it. Dr. Ranina wound up his lecture with a reference to the objective—which he stated was also a biconvex lens, fixed at the farther end of the lantern tube. To magnify the image of the picture and project it on to the screen, by the ring introducing his hearers to the subjects of magnifiers, of real and inverted images, of refraction of light, of the analysis of a ray of light while passing through a prism, and of the phenomena of chromatic and spherical aberrations,—all of which he treated in an intelligible manner and in a simple style. After the conclusion of the lecture, the president, Mr. K. R. Kama, thanked Dr. Ranina for his able and interesting discourse. In doing so, he remarked that though that was the first occasion, that young Dr. Ranina was enrolled on the list of lecturers of the society, his (Dr. Ranina's) eloquence, easy delivery, plain, simple Guzerati, seemed to place him in the rank of their veteran lecturers. Being the son of our well-known citizen, Mr. N. R. Ranina, at once a lexicographer, a dramatist, and a speaker of reputation, young Dr. Ranina, had, as it were, received those qualifications as a legacy, and he hoped the young lecturer would still further improve his opportunities by steady zeal, perseverance, and industry, to which his instructive and interesting lecture bore ample testimony.

After an exhibition of some magic lantern scenes by the lecturer the meeting dispersed.

M. DE LESSEPS' eldest daughter Fernanda was to be married after Easter to a godson and cousin of her father, M. le Vicomte de Gontaut-Biron, son of the late Comte Gontaut de Biron, who represented Marshal MacMahon's Government at Berlin. A Paris correspondent says that the young lady is twenty. She is very dark, rather tall, resembles her mother, and is little changed since as a child she used to head the infantile cavalcade, which in the halcyon days of the Panama affair used to ride with M. de Lesseps daily in the Bois de Boulogne.

PHENOMENAL WEATHER IN BOMBAY.

A TERRIFIC thunderstorm with high wind, hail and rain, occurred to the westward of Poona, between 9 p.m. and 2 a.m. on the nights of the 22nd and 23rd. Trees were blown down and snapped off at the ground. Little rain fell on the Ghauts, but the sky is overcast as when the monsoon is at hand. In Bombay heavy rain fell on Wednesday night, and there were slight showers yesterday morning on the Hill, in the Fort, and at Colaba. Rain also fell in Matheran. Writing of the storm at Poona the local *Herald* says:—

A storm, characterised by its destructive nature and its immense showers of hailstones, passed over Poona on Tuesday night, leaving in its trail vestiges of most unusual severity. Though the sky was overcast all the evening and distant rolls of thunder, with a glaucocing flash of lightning, now and again foretold the coming the storm as early as 7 p.m., it was not until about 10-30 that the first downpour mitigated the heat of the atmosphere, which was becoming unbearable. This shower was accompanied by a continuous rumble of thunder and quickly-successive flashes of lightning. At about 11-15 the storm was at its height. Hailstones of all sizes came down in thick crushing showers; the claps of thunder were deafening; blinding flashes of lightning lit up the whole place every few seconds. The open maidans were transformed into miniature oceans; the roadside open storm-gatters, which that very morning were parched and dry, were now hidden under gushing torrents. The wind, which generally blew with a steady, strong pressure from the east, would now and again come in terrific gusts, up-rooting trees and lamp-posts in its fury, and even in two or three instances blowing the roofs off some small cottages, and scattering the tiles of many other larger structures, and finally de-railing two or three trucks at the Ghorpori station. It lasted about an hour. Next morning its effects were to be seen everywhere one went, more especially towards the Neutral Lines, Wanowrie, and Ghorpuri. Numbers of flowering shrubs lay about, branches torn off the hardier trees were strewn all over, and wherever the particular trees were, the roads and ground were one mass of red, being hidden by the beautiful bright flowers of the "flame of the forest." It may be added, in all likelihood this miniature cyclone will prove greatly damaging to the mango crop, as baskets of these fruits have poured into the markets, the strong wind having wrenched them off the branches, young, hardy and green as they were. Six telegraph lines, down towards Kampuli and Kurjat in the Ghauts, have also been injured.

MILITARY NEWS.

THE furlough granted to Major Humfrey, S.C., is cancelled.

LIEUTENANT ROOME, S.C., has been granted leave for one year.

COLONEL E. MOCKLER has been granted six months' leave on private affairs.

BRIGADE-SURGEON A. N. HOJEL has been granted six months' furlough on medical certificate.

HONORARY CAPTAIN C. TYLER, Q. M. G.'s Department, has been permitted to retire from the service.

LIEUT.-COL. F. W. JOSEPH, S. C., and Lieut. C. J. Mellis, S. C., have been permitted to return to duty.

THE fact that H. E. Lord Harris has accepted the Honorary Colonelcy of the Bombay Rifle Volunteers, was gazetted yesterday.

THE services of Surgeon J. G. Hojel are placed at the dispo sal of Government for employment in the Civil Department.

MAJOR CLOWES, 8th Hussars, who served the Afghan War 1879-80, including the engagement at Mazeena, is appointed Aide-de-Camp to H.E. the Commander-in-Chief.

As the introduction of the Jhorawallah system into the Madras cavalry regiments appears to be indefinitely postponed, writes the local *Times*, the Commander-in-Chief solicited the consideration of Government to the desirability of equipping cavalry regiments with small tents, irrespective of any decision regarding the introduction of the Jhorawallah system, as, whether it is established or not, Sir Charles Arbuthnot considered it desirable that those regiments should be equipped with the light pattern of tents as more suitable for rapid transport and increasing their mobility when required for service. It is observed that no provision has been made for the carriage of tents of the Madras cavalry regiment warned for service with the 2nd Army Corps the omission it is presumed, being due to the fact that the Mobilization Committee concluded that the Madras cavalry regiment would arrive equipped with Jhorawallah ponies and small tents in the same way as regiments of Bengal and Bombay cavalry. In consideration of these facts the Government of India has sanctioned the issue to the Madras cavalry regiments of small tents accommodating six men each, of the pattern under trial with the Bengal cavalry regiments.

THE undermentioned have been granted leave of absence:—Lieutenant E. A. Cowans, Seaforth Highlanders, to England, for one year, on private affairs; Lieutenant F. C. L. Hutton, 1st Dragoon Guards, to England, for six months, on private affairs; Colonel R. W. Sartorius, C.M.G., V.C., 17th Bengal Cavalry, to Kashmir, to 12th September, on private affairs; Lieutenant F. P. Webber, 3rd Bengal Infantry, to Calcutta, for six months, to study the language; Colonel A. P. Broome, 18th Bengal Lancers, for one year, out of India, on private affairs; Lieutenant B. Strachey, 1-1st Gurkhas, to England, for one year on private affairs; Lieutenant C. Hamilton, 2nd Bengal Infantry, to England, on private affairs; Major C Norman, Royal Welsh Fusiliers, to England, for six months, on private affairs; Captain H T R St. G Richardson, Liverpool Regiment, to England, for one year, on private affairs; Lieutenant A C McCrea, 37th Dogras, to Pindi, for six months, to study the language; Lieutenant G. T. Widdicombe, 9th Bengal Infantry, to Calcutta, for six months, to study the language; Lieutenant-Colonel T. B. Watts, 5th Bengal Cavalry, to the hills, to 15th October, on private affairs; Colonel C. R. Pennington, 14th Bengal Lancers, to Kashmir, to 15th October, on private affairs; Lieutenant H. G. Maxwell, 16th Bengal Cavalry, to Pindi, for three months, to study the language. The leave granted to Lieutenant H. E. Walker, Royal Welsh Fusiliers, has been extended to 25th November 1890.

THE LADY REAY MEMORIAL FUND.

THE following amounts have been paid into the Bank of Bombay on account of the Lady Reay Memorial Fund:—

	Rs.
Amount hitherto acknowledged	12,166
Mrs. R. M. Sayani	50
Particulars of amount collected by Mrs. E. C. K. Ollivant, previously acknowledged:—	
Mrs. G. Geary Rs.	50
Mrs. E. C. K. Ollivant	30
Mrs. W. Webb	20
Mrs. W. R. E. Merriman	10
Mrs. Manockbai Lad	5
	115
	Rs. 12,216

Those who have not paid their subscriptions yet are requested do so without delay.

THE total number of deaths registered in Boubay during the week ending April 22 was 483, equal to a death-rate of 25·44 per thousand per annum, as against 28·65, the corresponding period of last year, and 30·66, the average over the past five years. Of the total number 140 died from fevers; 8, small-pox; 7, measles; 3, dropsy; 75, phthisis; 33, diseases of the nervous system; 72, affections of the respiratory organs; 29, still-born; 39, old age and debility; 10, accidents and violence. The classified list shows:—Buddhist or Jain, 18; Brahmin, 19; Lingaet, 2; Bhatia, 8; Hindu of other caste, 208; Hindu outcaste, 43; Mussalman, 125; Parsi, 22; Jew, 2; Native Christian, 15; Eurasian, 5; European, 13; Negro-African, 1; other and unknown races, 2. The total number of births registered was 292 as against 262 the corresponding week of last year, and 269 the weekly average over the past five years.

THE Lahore military paper hears that Sir George Greaves has nominated Colonel R. L. H. Curteis, 2nd Battn. Bedfordshire Regiment, for the appointment of Assistant Adjutant-general at Army head-quarters, Bombay, which will become vacant on the 1st July next, when the present incumbent (Lieut. Col. H. L. Dundas's) tenure expires. Colonel Curteis is a graduate of the Staff College, and is now commanding his battalion in the Madras Presidency. When he takes up his duties in July next, he will have been three years in command of a battalion, and he has also had five years' experience at the Horse Guards as Deputy Assistant Adjutant-General. He is probably, therefore, the right man for the right place.

PASSENGERS BY THE HOMEWARD MAIL.

THE P. & O. Co.'s s. s. Assam, Capt. W. F. Browne wil sail to-day for London, Brindisi, Marseilles, Port Said, Suez, and Aden, with the Europe mails and the following passengers:—

FOR BRINDISI.

Mr Lewis Moore	Lieut-Col W G Cumming
Major Dawson	Major W W Cole
Mr R N Mudholkar	Mr G Rennie
Mr A E Silk	Mr J Marcus
Dr E A Lawrie	Mr J Scott
Mr M V Joshi	Col A D Hawes
Mr T A Bulkley and 2 Misses Bulkley	Mr W Murray

FOR MARSEILLES.

Mr Geo Munro	Mr F C Gates
Mr and Mrs W Richardson, and infant	Mr and Miss Thompson
Mr C G Blathway	The Hon'ble Mrs Lyttelton
Mr Noad	Mrs Mainwaring
Mrs Branson	Col Atkins
Mr G A Kittredge	Mr F Stevens
Mr Pickering Clarke	Mr A Newall Tuck

FOR LONDON.

Mr W Pennington	Mrs and Miss Wright
Mr W Henvey	Miss Barlett
Mr and Mrs J Barclay and 2 children	Mr R Trivethick
Major Brunker	Capt A C Connel
Mrs Richards, child & infant	Mr Golam Mustaffa
	Mr McMilan

FOR VENICE.

Miss Chamney	Mr J Watson

FOR SUEZ.

Mr Renard	Mr A Tremborn

FOR ADEN.—Mr Alfreds Del Mar.

The following passages have been engaged:—

Per s.s. Mirzapore, Capt. R. Harvey, 2nd May, 1890.

FOR LONDON.—Mrs Lock and child, Mrs Campbell and children, Mr H C B Boulton, Mr and Mrs Lamarque Miss Little, Mr and Mrs T Walsh and children, Major and Mrs Broadhurst, child and nurse, Mr and Mrs Blyth, Miss Anderson, Mr W Siddons, Col and Mrs Jacob, Mr and Mrs W P Ross, Revd Frank Penny, Mr and Mrs Thos Collins, Mr and Mrs H Blose, Mr and Mrs W S Griffin and infant, Mr F M Grey, Mrs Maitland and 5 children, Major W M Campbell, Mr and Mrs W Carey and infant, Miss Phillips, Mr L Rushworth, Miss Brodie Hunt, Miss Nellie Smith, Mr H F Stacey, Mr and Mrs Hiscocks, Brig-Surg and Mrs J F Barter, Mrs Craigie, Miss Cordue, Mrs Cooper, Miss Barney, Miss Hudson, Miss Burgess, Miss Mertons, Miss Macdonald Ritchie, Miss Field, Miss Lancaster, Mr and Mrs G S Taylor, Mrs and two Misses Dougharty, Miss Clark, Mrs Sunderland, Mr P Knox Thomas, Col W Osborn, Mr and Mrs E B Beardmore, Mr Schmidt, Mr Macintosh, Mr Kench, Mrs Steel, Mr W Cruickshank, Capt and Mrs A R Hume and infant, Capt Brazier Creagh, Mr H Wilson and Mr Stevenson.

FOR BRINDISI—Mr H S Talbot, Mr C Weidmann, Mr H A Pittman, Mr and Mrs F S Mackintosh, Mr F Brownrigg, Major Birch, Mr W E Hart, Mr Focke, Major Hale, Mr and Mrs S H C Hutchinson, Mr R H Seaton, Lady Elliott, Mrs J W Orr, Mr H T House, Mr and Mrs J Dyson, Mr and Mrs River Carnac, Mr A West, Mr C P G Lester, Madam Breul, Mr Geo Whyte, Mr and Mrs Hartwell, Mr W C Gibson, Mr Eardley Norton, Surg-Maj M D Moriarty and Mr and Mrs W Colvin.

FOR VENICE—Mr Antone Gonsalves.

Per s. s. Peninsular, Capt. W. J. Webber, 13th May.

FOR MARSEILLES.—Mr E Gibson, C S, Mrs Conlan, child and nurse, Mr H S Davis, Mr and Mrs Alston, Mr and Mrs T Yorke Smith, Mrs Goldwyer Lewis, Mr J Thompson, Mr Edgell, Major General C A Goodfellow, the Hon Mr and Mrs Jardine, Mr Chas Nicons, Mr G A Charpie, Madam Conroy, Mr and Mrs P H Byrne, Major Vincent, Mr F H Lowinski, Major and Mrs D W K Barr, Mr and Mrs J W Walker 2 children, Mr Noll Fenwick, Col Becher, Mr LeMarchano, Mr M C Turner, Mr A C Parmenides, Mr G Munro, Capt M Stockley, Mr Jas Broadbent Mr H W Bolleau, Mr and Mrs P Benn, child and ayah, Mr E Selinger, Col and Mrs Gordon Young, Mr H E Cobbold, Hon F L Latham, Miss Latham, Col Stell, Mr O Marden and Capt R G McLeod.

FOR LONDON.—Mr and Mrs Jones and child, Major Babington Peel, Mrs Henry and 4 children, Master M Henry, Mrs Bedford, child and infant, Revd J P Graham, Mr Arthur Brooks, Mr D M Scobie, Col C A Bayley, Mrs E Holdine, Mr F M Fish, Mrs Robert Shutt and child, Mr and Miss Parkington, Mrs Anderson, Revd and Mrs E Mortimer, Revd R L Page, Mr J J L Davis, Mr G W Pitt, 2 children and infants, Mr and Mrs H F Cotgrave, Revd E S Hall, Revd F Craven, Miss Lily, Mr A L Harvey, Mr and Mrs Lonsdale, Miss Harris, Dr H L Austed, and Mr and Mr. W G Mackenzie.

Per s. s. Kaiser-i-Hind, Capt. G. W. Atkinson, 16th May.

FOR LONDON.—Mr and Mrs N R Oliver and servant, Mrs Maconochie, Mr B Egerton, Mr Luke, Mrs Denison and family, Mr Syed M Hak, Mrs Freed and 4 children, Mr J Borges, Mr and Mrs J H Freeborn, Mr H G D La Touche and Mrs La Touche, 3 children and 2 ayahs.

FOR BRINDISI.—Lt-Col W Cooke, Mr J Davidson, Mr W Porteous, Mr Jno Lees, Mr Wuspratt, Mr Leighton, Mr and Mrs A Robinson, and Mr and Mrs Hanson.

THE DADUR NEW ENGLISH SCHOOL.

THE first prize-distribution, in connection with the Dadur New English School took place on Saturday in the hall of the school, under the presidency of the Rev. Prof. J. F. Gardner, M.A., B.D., of Wilson College. There was a large gathering of Europeans and Natives. The proceedings in the hall commenced with the singing welcome verses composed in honour of the chairman and the guests. The classes were presented in order, from the lowest to upwards, and the boys recited dialogues in English, Sanskrit, and Marathi, which were much appreciated by the audience. The dialogue between Canute the Great and his courtiers, the scene of the meeting of Alfred and Ella before the hut, and a Sanskrit passage from Sakuntala, were specially referred to and highly spoken of by the chairman.

After these recitations the head-master, Mr. B. B. Gogte, read an address, in which he gave a short history of the institution, remarking that the proprietors had in view nothing but the spreading of education, and that they had opened the school with the intention of supplementing the generous endeavour of other schools rather than supplanting them. It was moreover, the school of the people of Dadar, as it was established at the earnest desire of some of the inhabitants of Dadar to supply a deeply-felt want. It had been patronized, he said, from the first by the leaders of the people, and continued to be attended by the children of all classes. He earnestly appealed to the native gentlemen to follow the example of some of their distinguished friends, who had sent their sons to the institution, and thus commenced to patronize it. He also quoted some opinions of the parents of the students from the remark book, which the president said were highly valuable testimonies as to the usefulness of the institution.

The chairman then distributed the prizes to the successful pupils. Addressing the audience he expressed the greatest satisfaction at the proceedings he had witnessed, and thanked Mr. Gogte for the pleasure he had provided for them. He remarked that the school, newly established as it was, was making very rapid progress. He congratulated the inhabitants of the town on having such an excellent school, wherein their children might learn without much expense or trouble.

Mr. K. N. Kane and Dr. B. B. Dadarkar, L. M. and S., thanked the chairman on behalf of the institution and the people of Dadar for presiding at the ceremony. The proceedings in the hall were then terminated by the singing of the National Anthem by a choir of five boys in Marathi, during which the whole assembly stood up. In the end the head-master put a beautiful *mogra* garland round the neck of the chairman, and Mr. Nulkar presented him an elegant *tura*. *Turas* were then distributed to other guests, and the gathering separated.

THE MILL FIRE AT AHMEDNAGAR.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—Referring to the telegram from your correspondent, dated Ahmednagar, April 23, which you publish in your issue of to-day, we beg to state that the information therein given about the fire in our factory at that place is incorrect, inasmuch as the property has been fully insured, and that the loss does not exceed Rs. 4,000 or thereabouts, as we hear from our agent.—Yours, &c.

NARAYEN DHONDOBA,
Per pro. Sabapathy Moodeliar & Co.

ARRIVAL OF H. M. S. I. M. S. MAYO.

HER MAJESTY'S INDIAN MARINE STEAMER MAYO, Captain W. Aves, arrived in harbour yesterday evening from Chittagong, which port she left on the 15th inst. at 10 a. m. She brought the 28th Bombay Pioneers, consisting of 8 officers and 544 men. She met with rain at Ceylon on the night of the 19th inst., which lasted for a couple of hours and experienced fine weather throughout the voyage. The regiment will be sent to Poona this evening. The following are the names of the officers:—Col R. Westmacott; Captain G E Evan; Lieutenants D B Thomson, L M Foster, E Venour, N G Fraser, and G H Hancock; and Surgeon F Barnes.

THE THEFT AT THE INDUSTRIAL ART EXHIBITION.

WE are informed by "One Who Knows" that the sword from which the enamelled belt has been stolen and replaced by a cheap one, was not in a case under lock and key, but that it was removed to a corner instead of being exhibited in the metal-work room as directed.

MR. HORMASJI KHARSEDJI KURLAVALA, will act as Collector of Income-tax in Bombay during the absence of Mr. Kharsed

do not for a moment suggest that the work could be one-half as well done by the chairman; still, if the duty of making the speech were undertaken by the lady, just think how much more popular and agreeable these annual meetings would be, and how the treasurer's heart would be cheered by the steady increase of subscriptions. (Laughter and applause.) But Mr. Kirkham does not only speak of recitations, he says that the girls read aloud excellently, and that no home need ever be a dull one, which has in it a fifth or sixth standard girl who has been educated in the Byculla Schools. Now with this remark I would ask all the girls here present to ponder well another remark made long ago by King Lear of his youngest daughter. "Her voice was ever soft, gentle, and low—an excellent thing in woman;" applause—and I would only say that if you carry into your homes hereafter the graces and good qualities which you have been able to acquire here you will not only save your homes from being dull but will also go a great way to making them happy homes. But in an ideal home, a truly happy home, we must have brave, manly, honest boys as well as gentle, well-instructed girls; and I think it must be a source of abundant gratification to all the friends and supporters of these schools that so satisfactory a report can be given of the progress of both boys and girls during the past year. (Applause.) We know that when Mr. Kirkham praises he does not use the language of exaggeration, and here we have him telling us that the higher standard among the boys know their English prose—Warren Hastings and the Vicar of Wakefield—well, and answer promptly and intelligently. The mathematical papers were also excellent. The boys are all in strong physical condition; the tone and discipline are satisfactory and the school drill is still the best that Mr. Kirkham has ever known. The girls also did exceedingly well in the examination, notwithstanding the grave drawback caused by the temporary absence of the Head-Mistress, Miss Parker; and I am told by Mrs. Jardine, who is one of the lady-visitors, that the girls have made good and substantial advance in the art and science of cookery. (Hear, hear, and applause.) These results are most creditable to Mr. English, Mr. Thomas, Miss Packer, Miss Ward, and all the masters and mistresses. What a picture do these annual reports present to us! Here we have the same old story repeated to us from year to year. An anxious committee, composed mainly of men who have their days occupied with other work, yet giving ungrudgingly, some hours of their leisure from week to week, and from month to month, and from year to year, for the management of these schools. They feel the claim that the schools have on the European community of Bombay. Here are children, between 250 and 300 in number, always to be provided for; a large number of these always on the free list; and none, among the boarders at least, for whom the full expenses of board, education, and lodging are provided by parents or guardians. All these, however, must be fed and clothed, and be given a good, sound education, intellectual, physical, moral, and religious, if they are to fight the battle of life and hold their own in the stress and strain of that fierce competition, which awaits them the moment that they leave the shelter of these walls. The committee are supported by the whole teaching staff of the school, and it is a pleasure to add that the children appreciate what is done for them, and make good use of their opportunities. And so it is that, though there is a sameness in all our annual proceedings, these proceedings possess a living interest for us—the interest which is always felt in every manful effort to overcome the difficulties of our daily life. And that the committee have difficulties to meet the report shows. We live literally from hand to mouth. If it was not for the support we receive from the Press, we should have to shut up the schools. But we ought not always to rely on the press;—for money is often wanted to keep the press itself up to the mark. It must be most satisfactory to all friends of the Society to know that the printing machinery has lately been renewed, and that it is now in thoroughly good working order. The money that has been spent on it was necessary and will bring a return, but we want money also for the repair of the shed in which we are now holding this meeting, which I am sorry to say is not at all in a safe condition, and also for painting the schools. I hope the publicity that is always given to the reports of the committee will induce old friends and many new ones to rally once more around our old treasurer, Mr. Orr, who has done so much for the Society in the past, and will I hope long continue to give it his valuable services. (Loud applause.)

The Bishop of Bombay, in proposing a vote of thanks to Mr. Justice Birdwood for presiding, and to Mrs. Jardine for distributing the prizes, said it was delightful to be able not only to congratulate Mr. English and Miss Parker on the reports before them, but also to have seen for themselves that evening—and he thought they must all have noticed it—so much that made them rejoice in the results of their work. It was not only from the report of the Government Inspector on the lessons they could judge of the schools, but in the demeanour of the boys and girls as they had seen them that evening, frank and bright, and looking as if they had nothing to be ashamed of. He thought no one present there had any reason not to be satisfied with the result of the work being done there. (Applause.) There were other things more important than lessons. He should say that if they were to name two qualities which they would most wish to see for carrying people through life successfully—in the real sense of the word successfully—trying to do their duty and hold their own, they would say they were modesty and self-respect. (Hear, hear.) He could not doubt, from what he knew of the work done there, no superficial impression had been left upon them. They had watched and seen that there was an absence of all self-conceit in the demeanour of the boys and girls, and it was a real pleasure to him to have seen it. (Applause.) There were one or two details in the proceedings that evening he should like to touch upon. There was a new and most pleasing and encouraging feature in that the work of the pupil-teachers had been recognised, and that work done by the pupils in helping the matron had been encouraged also. There was one prize given last year and which had not been mentioned this year. Their friend Mrs. Scott, who had always taken a lively interest in the school last year, gave a prize for truthfulness. He hoped that the absence of that prize that evening meant that truthfulness amongst the pupils was taken for granted. (Applause.) At all events he was quite sure that of all features it was one they wished to see developed in that school, and he knew enough of the working of the school to know that the inculcation of truthfulness was a very special part of the system—applause—and now he would return to the point it had been his intention to mention when he began. He wished to propose a very hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Justice Birdwood for presiding, and to Mrs. Jardine for coming there to distribute the prizes.

The vote of thanks was received with loud cheers from the boys and girls, and the singing of "God Save the Queen" terminated the proceedings.

HIGH COURT.—APRIL 25.

(Before the Hon. the CHIEF JUSTICE and the Hon. Mr. Justice TELANG.)

Appeals for hearing and final disposal.

658—Ardesir, H and D—The Gooldas Balabdas Manufacturing Co vs James Scott and others—Craigie, L and O—Part heard.

636—Jefferson, B D and K—Shaik Moosa Abdool Latif vs. Pestonji Nusserwanji Mistry and another—Payne, G and S.

644—Chitnis, M and M—Goswami Shri Vithleshji Dwarkanathji vs Sha Ruchordas Kushal and others.—Mansuklal, D and J.

As the *Central News* reported some time ago, a letter was received by the Lord Mayor of London from the Viceroy of India, cordially agreeing to join the Committee of the Napier of Magdala Memorial Fund, towards which he enclosed a donation of £50. General Sir Frederick Roberts, V.C., the Commander-in-Chief in India, also joined the committee, and subscribed. He wrote: "It will be a pleasure to me to assist in commemorating the distinguished services of my late gallant commander, a man for whom I entertained the highest regard and respect. I am sending a copy of your lordship's letter to the Commanders-in Chief of Madras and Bombay, and I propose to notify that a memorial is being subscribed to at home, and that any friends or admirers of the late Field Marshal wishing to join, should send their donations to me or my military secretary." Sir Frederick Roberts concludes by stating that a handsome statue of Lord Napier occupies a prominent place in that picturesque city (Calcutta). It is a replica of this statue that the committee are desirous to erect in London.

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ALLEGED FALSE INFORMATION TO A PUBLIC SERVANT.

THIS case, in which Christna Bajee, charges Rahimtulla Gool Mahomed, a sub-inspector in the employ of the Bombay Municipality, with having given false information against him in his position as a public servant on the 12th of February last, of having received Rs. 20 by way of gratification from various wards in the health department was resumed yesterday before Mr. Richardson at the Esplanade Police Courts. Mr. Rivett-Carnac conducted the prosecution, and Mr. De Souza the defence.

Dr. Weir cross-examined by Mr. De Souza: The last answer that you gave me was that there should be no money transactions between a superior officer and his inferior?—Yes, I also know one Baba Dyan. He is an inspector of sweepers. If he had seen any monetary irregularities, it was his duty to report them. But he is not bound to obey Christna Bajee, and if he saw anything wrong in Christna it was his business to bring it to notice.

On Mr. Rivett-Carnac objecting to Mr. De Souza's questioning Dr. Weir if he knew that Christna Bajee had bought a piece of land from Revu, the wife of Baba Dyan, the Court ruled that this was irrelevant.

Mr. DeSouza here called upon Dr. Weir to produce the letter forwarding the petition of Christna Bajee to the Municipal Commissioner, requesting sanction to prosecute Rahimtulla Gool Mahomed. (This letter, together with another to the Health Officer, were produced, and put in.)

Mr. DeSouza: When did you depute Mr. Brewin to make enquiries?—As well as I remember, Mr. Brewin was asked to enquire into this matter before the first petition of Christna Bajee. I got Mr. Brewin's report from the Commissioner privately, a day or two after the 20th of February.

Mr. De Souza: Did you forward Exhibit A to Mr. Brewin?—I did not forward Exhibit A to Mr. Brewin, because I did not think it necessary, for I knew the accused had been to see Mr. Brewin. I also heard that the accused had been speaking to a number of men in the department. I did not inform Mr. Brewin of my receipt of Exhibit A, and my forwarding letter to the Commissioner was before the receipt of Mr. Brewin's report?

Mr. DeSouza: Will you produce Mr. Brewin's report?—I cannot show Mr. Brewin's report as it is entirely confidential, but stated his willingness to show it to the Court.

Mr. Rivett-Carnac upheld the point of objection of Dr. Weir.

Mr. DeSouza contended that it was in the interest of justice that the police report should be produced as no public interest would suffer by the report being put in. Such matter should be decided by the Court as it was not left to the discretion of a public officer to submit a report in the position of witnesses.

His Worship here stated that he was of opinion that as the document came under the heading of police diaries it was not admissible unless he personally called for its production, which, according to the law, he was entitled to do.

Mr. DeSouza averred that the document in this instance was a report in a special matter, and was not a matter in which the police officer would be called upon to make entries in his official diary.

His Worship upheld Mr. DeSouza's statement, and said that every police officer was bound to make an entry of such investigation as would be made in the case in his official diary, which he would require to be produced if necessary.

Mr. Rivett-Carnac objected to the report being produced in Court as it was entirely of a confidential nature, and the Superintendent had under these circumstances not made any entries in his diary, as he was not acting under the Criminal Procedure Code.

The Magistrate: Do you mean to allege that it was not a police report?

Mr. Rivett-Carnac: Certainly not, it was a special confidential matter.

Mr. DeSouza: If that is the case the document is admissible, and I therefore require its production.

Mr. Rivett-Carnac again impressed the Court that as the report was confidential it could not be produced.

Mr. Richardson: How can it be confidential when Mr. De'Souza seems to know its nature? I myself have not seen the report, and I do not know its contents.

Mr. DeSouza: Then, your Worship, how can you rule the question that it is inadmissible.

Mr. Rivett-Carnac: Your Worship, you have ruled the point at discussion, and I therefore call upon you to adhere to it. If you question Dr. Weir whether public interest is at stake, and he assures you it is, then I admit your ruling. I must ask you to support Dr. Weir's opinion in the matter.

Mr. Richardson: I must question Dr. Weir in regard to the matter.

Dr. Weir: I was under the impression that Mr. Brewin's report was a police report since it was addressed to the Commissioner of Police, and was submitted in regard to certain slips which had been given to Mr. Brewin. I think it is an enquiry which was to show whether any offence had been committed. The investigation was not of a private nature, but was simply made to ascertain the truth of the allegations in the slips. If Mr. Brewin and the Commissioner were satisfied that the complainant was found guilty of having accepted bribes, he might have been then subjected to punishment. The report is in reference to Christna Bajee and the Health Department, and is founded on statements and allegations made by certain persons. The report was addressed to the Commissioner of Police and marked confidential, and was then forwarded to the Municipal Commissioner. Under this consideration I think that any disclosure from the report would be seriously detrimental to public interest.

Mr. Rivett-Carnac: In your estimation, then, you are under the impression that it would affect public confidence in the department?—Yes, for I don't think that there is anything objectionable in the report that would prevent it from being submitted to open criticism.

The Magistrate: Am I to understand that according to your first statement the report is not open and then is open to criticism?

Dr. Weir: No. I allege it is a document, the publicity of which would banish all public confidence in the Municipality. Any person who was subjected to examination by Mr. Brewin could be brought into Court, and examined.

On these statements, which were submitted by Dr. Weir, his Worship ruled that the report would not be produced.

The cross-examination of witnesses was here proceeded with by Mr. DeSouza.

Dr. Weir produced the sanction of the Municipal Commissioner, which stated that if the Health Officer had sanctioned the prosecution he had no objection to the course.

Mr. DeSouza contended that this was not a sanction from the Municipal Commissioner to adopt steps of prosecution.

His Worship: Then, if that was not a sanction, a formal sanction could be applied for at any time.

Mr. DeSouza still adhered to his statement that no sanction had been given, as it did not contain any definite terms, and adduced ruling in support of his arguments from the Calcutta law reports, pointing out that the Municipal Commissioner had stated in his letter, said to be the sanction for these proceedings, that it was quite impossible for him to enter into details of charges and counter-charges in the petitions, as they were rather suspicious, and that without thoroughly enquring into them he could not attempt to form any opinion.

His Worship: But the Commissioner has stated that he has no objection to the prosecution.

Mr. DeSouza: But permissive sanction is no sanction at all.

The Magistrate: It would appear that the Commissioner appointed Dr. Weir to sanction the prosecution.

Mr. DeSouza adhered to his original opinion.

His Worship ruled that the sanction of the Commissioner was not admissible, but stated that formal sanction could be produced at the next hearing.

After some further discussion on this point, the Magistrate adjourned the case to the 1st proximo.

LIEUT. COLONEL HINE, R. A., lately Commandant at the Mount in Madras, is said to have had a narrow escape of being killed at Coonoor, on the night of the 19th instant, by a branch of a tree that fell upon his head during a severe storm of thunder, wind, and rain. He was unconscious for a short time, but is rapidly recovering. The branch was 18 ins. in circumference at the thick end.

THE season reports for the Bombay Presidency, for the week ending April 22, are summarised in the following general remarks:—Rain during the week in parts of Kaira, Khandesh, Poona Ahmednagar, Sholapur, Southern Maratha Country and Kathiawar. Exotic cotton in two talukas of Dharwar blighted. Crops otherwise good. Harvesting of late crops continues in several districts and cotton-picking in Gujerat, Southern Maratha Country and Baroda. Probable outturn of late crops in Tanna from 8 to 16 annas. Preparations for next season's crops progressing in most districts. Sowing commenced in Karachi and Shikarpur. Fodder scarce in Hyderabad, in 2 talukas of Khandesh, and 1 of Nasik, Poona and Dharwar Agricultural stock bad in 1 taluka of Hyderabad, and middling in Nasik. Water scarce in 4 talukas of Nasik and 1 of Dharwar.

JACK AMONG THE MUSSULMANS.

ARTHUR CAMERON, George James Emmins, Harry Ramage, and Walter James Mathews, all sailors from the H. M. S. Sphinx, now lying in the Government Docks, were placed before Mr. Cooper, the Chief Presidency Magistrate at the Esplanade Police Courts, yesterday, by Inspector Saunders charged with disorderly behaviour while in town. On Wednesday night, the party of tars left their quarters in the Sailors' Home and proceeded to the Grand Hotel in the Fort. After making merry there, they hired a victoria, promising to give the driver Rs. 1-8 on his taking them to the Grant Road. But this they were destined never to reach, for as the horse seemed to trudge along at rather a slow pace for the sailors, Cameron mounted the coach-box, took the reins and whip from the driver, and lashed the horse into a gallop. Proceeding along in their mad career they dashed along the Bhendy Bazaar Road and reached the Baboola Tank Road, where they went "smash" into a reckla, the horse being thrown to the ground, the lamps and shafts, and the whole carriage being rendered a wreck. As the sailors were singing all along they were unaware of their dangerous position, until they felt the shock, when they immediatly sprang out on to the road. The gharywalla, who had been hitherto held in the grasp of his passengers, now called for assistance, and on Superintendent Brewin appearing on the scene they met him with a bail of stones. Mr. Brewin seeing that all attempts at remonstrating with the sailors were useless, and as the tars had by this time disappeared went in pursuit of them with Inspector Saunders and some other police officers. In their flight the four tars encountered a crowd of Mussalmans, with whom they engaged in a fight. As they had no weapons of defence, they rushed into a soda-water shop, and seized a dozen bottles which they hurled at the incensed crowd. In return they were pelted with stones by the mob, and as the odds were against them, they fled. In endeavouring to climb over a number of high walls, to escape their pursuers, one of their comrades sustained a fall and fractured one of his ribs, which necessitated his being conveyed to hospital. With the assistance of Inspector Saunders and some other officers Superintendent Brewin managed to effect the arrest of the fugitves, who had concealed themselves in a gentleman's compound at Mazagon. In reply to his Worship as to what defence they had to make they all pleaded not guilty to the charge and stated that it was the fault of the driver, who got in amongst a crowd of Mussalmen, numbering about five hundred persons. Cameron and his friend Emmins alleged that they had only acted in self-defence, and as they had received a volley of stone from the "niggers" they retaliated by snatching up the soda-water bottles and throwing them "at their heads." The horse, as Cameron informed his Worship, became quite uncontrollable, and the destruction of the carriage was due to the animal having taken flight by getting in amongst the mob, who "hollowed and shouted like cannibals." The damages that had been caused amounted to about Rs. 60, and as his Worship informed them that he did not wish to deal too severely with them, one of their number having come to grief, fined them Rs. 15 each, awarding Rs. 59 to the owner of the cab, and one rupee to the soda-water seller, in compensation for damages incurred.

LADY BARBERS IN LONDON.

WOMEN barbers have come to pass already, writes a home paper. In the basement of 65, Chancery-lane, a neat little saloon has just been fitted up and opened for shaving and hair-cutting, and the assistants are three nicely-dressed, neat-figured young women who travel all day with scissors or the razor over the skulls and faces of male customers. They do it very skilfully, too, from what I saw (writes a *Pall Mall* reporter). Not being blessed with a beard myself, I could not have a practical test; but one day this week the three young women "barbered" fifty-seven men, and the place has only been opened for a few days. The girls are dressed in black, with white large-bibbed aprons, finished off with little bows of ribbon, and they wear large white cuffs and Eton collars. I was curious to learn where the girls got their experience, for they seemed extremely deft. The proprietor of the saloon is a shrewd, middle-aged man, and from what he said he seemed a man of resource. Having got the idea, he advertised in a daily paper for several respectable young women, willing to learn a business that would bring them in from 17s. to a guinea a week.

"I was inundated with applications," he said. There were 103 replies. I interviewed fifty, and out of those selected the three I now employ. Some of the applicants were quite indignant at the idea. One young woman wrote to say she could not come because her mother wouldn't hear of her being a barber. I saw the mother, and though, she admitted that she would allow her daughter to be a barmaid, she couldn't see the morality of her getting her living as a barber.

However, I got the girls together and hired a set of second-hand tackle and a place off Red Lion-street, and announced that men and boys could be shaved and have their hair cut for nothing. We got so many that we had to bar the crowd out. For a month the girls practised; I hired a German to teach them how to hold the razor, and they got plenty of practice. Before we started I pointed out to them that they were going to embark on a rather novel enterprise, and it lay with themselves to maintain their dignity as women. And I think I can say with safety that, although these are working girls, they are all ladies in mind."

It was quite refreshing to hear an employer of labour talk of his employes otherwise than as money-making machines. The girls seem to get on very well with their employer. The proprietor neglected to prepare the agreement by which the girls were bound to serve him for a year; but though one of the girls was offered 30s. a week by rival barber, they refused to leave the "Don"—that is the name of the saloon.

I asked whether men were not sometimes taken aback when they entered to find only women to shave them. "Yes, we have had a few hesitate and go out again. The other day an old gentleman from the country with some friends came in, but when he saw the girls he said dubiously, 'I'm not going to let these lasses shave me. I don't want my throat cut before I go home to-night.' However, his friends were shaved, he looking on; and later on in the day the old gentleman came in again and was shaved too."

"But where did you get the idea of women barbers from?"—"I have travelled a good deal, and at San Francisco and Malta I was shaved by women, and found that they handled one far more delicately than men. Their touch is lighter; they don't scrape or pull a man's face about roughly, like men. Their wrists are more supple."

I asked one of the girls who had just finished shaving a customer how she liked the business. "Very well, indeed; and the men we shave say we have a very light hand. I was nervous at first in learning; the men we practised on had very rough beards. But one soon acquired a firm hand. I like shaving better than hair-cutting. It's so much easier. We have to know all the styles of trimming beards, of course."

The girls seem to really take an interest in their work. The pay is not bad, and the hours—from half-past eight till six—are not heavy. Of course there is nobody in Chancery lane after that hour. The proprietor told me that if this saloon is successful he intends opening others in various parts of London. The girls have a little kitchen all to themselves, where they brew their tea and coffee and make themselves generally cosy.

HIS EXCELLENCY the Governor has been pleased to make the following appointments in the Educational Department:—Mr. G. J Agashe, M.B., to be head-master, Byramjee Jijeebhoy High School, and Mr. K. V. Subnis, B. A., to act until relieved by Mr. Agashe.

A HONGKONG company has secured a three-decked vessel, and propose to convert her into a floating hotel. The low part of Hongkong is reputed very unhealthy, so that this idea is likely to prosper. The bed-rooms will be on the main-deck, and each will have a separate bath and dressing-room. A dining saloon, promenade, deck and other conveniences will be added.

NOTWITHSTANDING his poverty, Dom Pedro refuses to receive the advance on the sale of his private estates and chattels recently offered him by the Brazilian Government, because to do so would be to admit the legality of the decree of confiscation and the impending sale. A Paris correspondent says that his estate at Petropolis, which has speedily risen in value and goes on rising, is a very large one. The house is plain, but the gardens and park are of considerable extent, and in a few years every acre of ground there would be in itself a fortune. The residence of the Princess Imperial, near the Botanical Gardens at Botofoga, is said to be desired by one of the richest men at Rio, who is also said to have suggested to the Brazilian Government the idea of offering Dom Pedro an advance on the purchase-money of the Imperial estates, so as to legalise the future sale of the Botofoga villa and park.

BISMARCK AT FRIEDRICHSRUHE.

FRIEDRICHSRUHE, the second of the two estates presented to the German Chancellor by a grateful sovereign and country, cost about £170,000, which was set apart for the purpose by Kaiser Wilhelm I. out of the French war indemnity. Varzin, the gift of which dates from immediately after the German-Austrian war, cost but a third of that amount. The title of Duke of Lauenburg is suggested by the fact that the estate is situated in the duchy on which in 1864 the then Count von Bismarck tried his "prentice hand" at annexation. The gates of the demesne are but a short distance from the station of the same name on the line between Berlin and Hamburg. There is nothing monumental or architecturally grand about the house itself. The two wings, built at right angles, of which it consists, are externally as bare of ornament as a barrack. A magnificent lawn, thickly dotted with centenarian trees, leads to the front entrance. An enormous tract of meadow land extends behind the house as far as the eye can reach, where it joins the Sachsenwald (Saxon forest). Not a flower or *parterre* anywhere, and deep, deep silence reigns around.

The simplicity of the interior is in thorough keeping with the bareness of the exterior. The enormous hall is like a couple of hospital wards thrown into one, with whitewashed walls, without a stucco cornice or a centre ornament on the ceilings, a few gigantic antlers here and there, half a dozen wooden chairs, and a table without a tablecloth. On the table are a white earthenware inkstand, a couple of pens, the holders to which seem to have been fashioned out of bits of a five-barred gate—they are so clumsy and long—and a blotter without blotting paper. Like the late Mr. Biggar, Prince Bismarck distrusts blotting paper. He himself never uses it; and as he knows that in his hurry a visitor may write a communication intended for him only, and still leave a copy of it on the innocent pink sheet, the modern substitute for pounce powder is rigorously excluded from the hall. But if the walls and ceilings are bare, not so the floor, which is thickly carpeted everywhere. Passing through the hall one enters a second, somewhat less freezing, which leads to the room where the Chancellor transacts his business with less familiar callers. The first thing that strikes the visitor is a large pastel portrait of Lord Beaconsfield, with the statesman's name written underneath in Prince Bismarck's sprawling hand. Facing it hangs a duplicate of Bonnat's famous portrait of Adolphe Thiers. In a corner stands a bronze bust of Count von Moltke, who looks as if he had been bonnetted by a too enthusiastic admirer, for the laurel crown with which he is *coiffe* descends low down upon his forehead; above this a magnificent likeness in oil of Prince-Cardinal Hohenlohe. On the mantle-piece on one side is a reproduction of the statue of the Grand Elector (Frederick the Great's grandfather) by Schluter, on the other a plaster cast of an equestrian statue supposed to be the original portrait of Charlemagne. Of furniture in the ordinary sense of the word there is very little. A glazed cabinet, full of carabines and pistols, another full of maps, a round table and three chairs, and that is all. Of course, the reception rooms and private apartments of the rest of the family are of a less Spartan character, but in those of the Prince himself, the ornamental has had to yield absolutely to the useful. With the exception of music, Prince Bismarck is utterly indifferent to art. Some years ago, at an "at home," a lady reminded Bismarck that she had been his cicerone during his early student days in Berlin. "True," he said; and then he introduced her to his wife and daughter in the following terms:—"This is the lady to whom I owe the greater part of my artistic education, for it was in her company that I went to the Berlin Museum—the first and only time in my life." With regard to music, he is very fond of listening to it, though, like the great Napoleon, he sings horribly out of tune and out of time. "Life is serious and art is gay," he wrote at the back of the well-known photograph of Pauline Lucca; and that apparently is his reason for not spending much time in the pursuit of the art.

Different is it with regard to literature. The man is not only a magnificent linguist, albeit he has forgotten his Greek, but is an omnivorous reader. His own room is absolutely littered with books, novels included. While there are no nicknacks, no cunningly contrived shelves, or artistically arranged whatnots for the display of porcelain and *cloisonne*, three or four enormous, cumbrous mahogany tables almost bend beneath the weight of documents, blue-books, &c., &c. Near the window, facing the south, are a huge writing desk, with a bronze inkstand, a bowl of blue pounce powder, a couple of gigantic quills, and perhaps half a ream of foolscap—the Chancellor detests steel pens—and a chair without a back. In one of the recesses is a more modern writing table, above which hangs the portrait of the late Emperor. At the other end of the sanctum are several couches and arm chairs, and in one corner a bundle of long German pipes with huge porcelain bowls. On the walls above are the portraits of his wife and children. This is the favourite nook where Bismarck takes his rest. The bedroom is never shown to any visitor, but it contains three pieces of furniture only, an enormous wash-hand stand, a small camp bedstead, and a bootjack. There used to be a couple of hair brushes. "Take them away," said the Prince a few years ago; "a towel will do to part my hair nowadays."

Stories of Bismarck are endless, but some of the best of them are told by an anonymous writer who is said to be M. Greenwood, in the April number of the *New Review*. Here is one of them:—There was a time when Bismarck himself was subjected to extreme annoyance from the liberties taken by some pera nages with other personages' correspondence. When he represented Prussia in the Diet at Frankfort he strongly suspected that his letters and dispatches were overhauled in transit on behalf of Austrian diplomacy; indeed, he complained of it bitterly. Nor was he the only complainant. Others seem to have suffered in like manner; though whether they were equally ingenious in discovering a remedy is doubtful. On one occasion, after a stormy meeting, Bismarck and the Hanoverian representative, or the secretary of the Hanoverian representative, walked away together; and as they walked the Hanoverian touched upon this sore subject, asking Bismarck how he managed to get his letters safely through, if he did manage it. "You shall know by-and-by," was the answer, and on they strolled together, talking of indifferent subjects. Presently the Hanoverian remarked that Bismarck led the way out of the more fashionable quarter of the town into more dingy and yet more dingy by-ways, and wondered a little, but went on. As they entered a street which would be called a slum in London, the Hanoverian observed with attention that Bismarck drew out his gloves, which usually reposed in his pocket; and not only did he clothe his left hand, but more surprising still, he drew on the right glove also, buttoning each carefully. This done, he looked about him, and, apparently discovering what he sought, advanced to one of the little shops called "general," where the poor provide themselves with tea, bread, cheese, pickles, dried fish, lamp-oil and many other commodities. "Come in with me," said Bismarck to his friend, after looking through the shop window; and as they entered he raised his voice and continued a conversation of which the Hanoverian did not recollect the beginning. Ruse obvious, as was at once understood. "Boy," said Bismarck, to a dull-looking lad behind the counter—and interrupting his talk to do so—"do you sell soap?" "Yes, sir." "What soap? What sorts have you got?" "This, and this, and here's another," said the boy, putting before Bismarck a variety of strong-scented cakes. "Well, and how much is this?" the diplomatist asked, handling one of the cakes; "and how much this?" fumbling with another. The price named, a piece was selected, and the conversation went on while the soap was being wrapped in paper.

Now Bismarck, as if suddenly recollecting himself, plunged his hand into a breast-pocket and drew out an unenclosed letter. Apparently annoyed at his forgetfulness, he cried, "Do you sell envelopes, boy?—bring them out!" Envelopes—wretched things—were produced; the letter was placed in one of them, and, asking for pen and ink, Bismarck set out to write the address. But with a monstrous thick glove on, and tightly buttoned up, this was not easy to do. So, flinging down the pen impatiently, he said, "Here, boy; you can write, I suppose? 'Mr. Smith,—'" &c., &c. The scrawl finished, Bismarck took the letter, and left the shop. "Now," said he to his friend, when they passed outside, at the same time putting the letter to his nose, "what with the soap, the herrings, the candles, and the cheese, I don't think they'll smell my dispatch under that!" The perfect detail of this expedient is highly illustrative of Bismarck's way of doing things.

A BARE-FACED attempt to pass a forged cheque was made the other day at the Bank of Bengal, Rangoon. It appears that a few days since the cheque-book of the Countess of Dufferin's Fund, of which Dr. Pedley is the treasurer, was stolen, and the other day a cheque was presented at the Bank for Rs. 3,800, bearing what purported to be Dr. Pedley's signature, but which, in reality, had not the faintest resemblance to that gentleman's handwriting. The man who presented the cheque was at once arrested, and it is more than probable that the principal in the attempted fraud will soon be in the hands of the police.

A BATCH OF AUTOGRAPH LETTERS.

IT is scarcely more than a week ago that Messrs. Sotheby, Wilkinson, and Hodge dispersed one of the finest collections of autographs that have come under the auctioneer's hammer in recent years. Another collection, smaller than that made by Mr. Abraham Hayward, but almost equally interesting, will be sold by them on the 21st of May. It includes authograph letters from Addison, Browning, Mrs. Browning, Burns, Byron, Carlyle, Coleridge, Darwin, Dickens, Gray, Johnson, Keats, Lamp, Pope, Ruskin, Scott, Tennyson, Swinburne, and Thackeray. Some of these letters have already found their way into the papers—among them being one from Charles Darwin on allotments, and a couple of interesting letters sent by Lord Tennyson to two of his publishers, Moxon and Strahan. A number of interesting extracts from other letters is appended.

THE BROWNINGS.

The collection includes two letters from Robert Browning to Dante Gabriel Rossetti, one of which runs as follows:—

Rue du Coliden, 3, May, 29, '56.

My dear Rossetti,—May this note introduce to you a friend of mine, Mr. Cartwright? . . . It is shame about the portrait, I honestly believe, for is it a formidable lot of portraits this year? Never mind, *you*, however, who have done your utmost & all possible to be done. My vexation, after the wrong to the work of art, is about the possible annoyance Page may feel—not much, but too much, if any at all. They have bought his last work, "Venus," for £500—they, i. e., American compatriots and good fellows. Such a pleasant note from Allingham! for which I owe you thanks, it is plain. I remember you asked me some questions of which one comes to mind of a sudden—"elucesco" is dog-latin rather—the true word would be "eluceo"—and Ulpian, the golden Jurist, is a copper latinist—see about him in any Biographical Dictionary. "*Aiwee* you annuser'd?" as energetic Shylock used to say in my time at the Surrey.

"Elucesco" probably refers to a line in "The Bishop Orders his Tomb at St. Praxed's Church" ("Men and Women"):—

Aha, *elucescebat* quoth our friend?
No Tully—said I—Ulpian at the best!

CHARLES DICKENS.

Dickens, like all successful authors, was pestered by literary aspirants anxious to find out "how the thing is done." Here is a sensible reply to one of these young gentlemen. Though the letter was written forty-six years ago, the advice still holds good:—

I fear the best reply I can give you, in acknowledging the receipt of your letter, will be rather unsatisfactory; but if it be so, it is not from any lack of interest on my part. It is in the nature of all literary beginnings to be surrounded by unsatisfactory circumstances. The rate of remuneration to unknown writers is six or eight guineas a sheet, usually. Many unknown writers write for nothing. I wrote for the next thing to it myself, when I was one-and-twenty. The only additional piece of advice I can give you is to concentrate on this pursuit all the patience that would be required in all the other pursuits of this world put together, & to lay your account with having it tried.

In another letter Dickens leaves it to a correspondent's common sense "to consider the possibility of slavery existing without oppression and tyranny."

MR. RUSKIN.

The "precious little book" referred to in the following note from Mr. Ruskin is Mr. R. H. Shepherd's edition of Blake's poems published by Pickering in 1874. The letter was not written until the 8th May, 1876:—

Putting my books in order after a long interval I find to-day your gift of Aug. 6th, 1874, never before seen by me. It came when I was in Italy, and I have never got my books sifted since! I am very sorry, for I would fain have thanked you at once for the precious little book, of which you must have thought me so careless. But, as I now glance through it, I am a little pained by what I suppose is its truth of text, but is nevertheless not satisfactory after Rossetti's emendations. You do not, I think, make clear enough in your preface the authority for your readings. In the tiger, for instance, Rossetti's "What dread hand made thy dread feet?" is far more striking (to me) than your "What dread hand and what, &c.," which is forced and unintelligible.

THACKERAY.

This string of extracts may be fitly brought to a close by the following interesting letter from Thackeray to the editor of *Fraser's Magazine*.

13, Gt. Coram-street, April 8, 1843.

My dear Nickisson,—I was at no loss in reading the amusing "Illustrations of Discount," in the Magazine, to discover the name of the author. Mr. Deady Keane shook me by the hand only a fortnight since, and at the very same time, no doubt, was writing the libel on me which appeared, to my no small surprise, in that very article.

I have advisedly let a week pass without deciding upon the course I ought to pursue. Few people (none that I have seen) know that the attack in question is levelled at myself, nor indeed have I any desire to make the public acquainted with that fact. But, as in a private house or an inn, if any person with no other provocation but that of drunkenness or natural malice should take a fancy to call me by foul names, I should have a right to appeal to the host, and request him to have the individual so offending put out of doors—I may similarly complain to you that I have been grossly insulted in your Magazine.

Having written long in it; being known to you (please God) as an honest man and not an ungenerous one; I have a right to complain that a shameful and an unprovoked attack has been made upon me in the Magazine, and as an act of justice to demand that the writer should no longer be permitted to contribute to *Fraser*.

If Mr. Deady Keane continues his contributions in any shape, mine must cease. I am one of the oldest, and I believe one of the best, of your contributors. A private individual, I have been grossly abused in the Magazine, and must perforce withdraw from it unless I have your word that this act of justice shall be done me.

I make this demand not in the least as an act of retaliation against Mr. Keane, but as an act of justice which I owe to myself, and which is forced on me. At the present at least it cannot be said that my anger is very revengeful, or that his atttack has rendered me particularly vindictive. It would be easy to fight him with the same weapons which he uses, could I descend to employ them; but I feel myself, and I hope one day he will discover, that they are unworthy of an honest man. If he only take care to let it be publicly known that it is his intention to abuse in the public prints any private individuals whose personal appearance or qualities may be disagreeable to him, it is surprising how popular he will become, how his society will be courted and his interests in life advanced.

But I am sure you will no longer allow him to exercise his office of satirist in your Magazine, and hope he sought, advanced to one of the little shops (without the least wish to imply a threat) that for both our sakes he will make no more attacks in print upon my person or my private character.—Faithfully yours, dear Nickisson, W. M. THACKERAY.

I have no copy of this letter, but should you send it to Mr. Keane, will you please make one?

THE Emperor William complains that in church the curiosity of the people to see him leads to disturbance of the service. He has therefore issued an order reserving the front rows in the galleries of the Hofkirche for soldiers, who will not, he hopes, follow the bad example of civilians in this respect. Besides this, a Berlin correspondent says, it is ordered that the seats of troops in church are to be so arranged that the men can immediately find their places and can see the clergyman, so that they may follow the service with eye and ear.

THE *Madras Mail* is informed that it is proposed to establish at Trichinopoly, as a central station, "The Hindu Noble or Rajkumar College, from January next, for the education of princes, chiefs and respectable families in the Madras Presidency It will consist of four sections—matriculated students who read for the First-in-arts Examination; F. A. students who read for the Special Test Law Examinations; F. A. students who read for the B. A. degree; and B. A. students who read for the B. L. degree. This college is intended to educate the future leaders of society in the company of fellow-students of good birth, position, and character; and it is proposed to levy a monthly fee of Rs. 5 to 10 from each student of the first two sections, and a fee of Rs. 10 to 20 from each student of the first two sections; and two M. A.s, two B. L.s, and two B. A.s will be engaged as lecturers and professors under the control of two or more Fellows of the Madras University. The course of study and the financial statement will be subject to the approval of a body of patrons. This college will not take up the professional branches of the B. A. degree, as science, natural science, physicial science, &c., "which should be left to the middle classes." But it will teach mathematics, history, political economy, logic, and moral and mental philosophy, as fitted for leisured and leading families. Sanskrit-passed B. A.s, M. A.s, and B. L.s, will be preferred to teach. Riding, swimming, rowing, fencing, sporting, &c., will also be taught and encouraged.

EASTER CEREMONIES IN VIENNA.

A VERY fine ceremony took place in the Imperial Burg on Thursday (3rd instant), writes the Vienna correspondent of the *Standard*, which gave plentiful opportunities for the display of all the pomp of old Spanish etiquette, which is still retained at the Austrian Court. The Emperor entertained at supper twelve aged men, and washed their feet afterwards in the Hall of Ceremonies. All the State

PURE PERSONALITIES.

Says an Aix-les-Baine correspondent:—I met the Queen on Thursday morning in her little donkey chaise going at a fairly brisk pace. On her arrival she went in an open landau through the principal streets of the town, and was welcomed in a very cordial manner, by the inhabitants, who by the bye are greatly elated at the fact that her Majesty is after all going to build a villa on the ground she purchased some years ago. The Queen has decided to try what massage will do towards the cure of her rheumatism.

The general in command of the division of Chambery (near Aix) happens to be of English, or rather of Irish, extraction, General O'Neill. On his being presented to the Queen she was struck by the name, and immediately asked if his ancestors had not been subjects of hers. The general replied "Yes," and that unfortunately it was precisely because of their attachment to the House of Stuart that they were driven from Ireland, and that he found himself an officer in the French Army. The Queen then said, "I have a great affection for my Stuart ancestors, and am delighted to meet one who is descended from those who have suffered from loyalty to their cause." On this the general kissed the Queen's hand, and the incident ended.

People who know the young Kaiser well, especially when in his teens and just getting into his twenties, recall of him that he was in the habit of devouring everything he could read or hear about Frederick the Great, and that he was constantly setting his ancestor in view as a model for his own conduct and reign. This receives curious corroboration in the news this morning that William the Second has stopped the fund for the Reptile press, and given increased freedom of speech in the Opposition newspapers. Free speech and free writing were one of the causes of that much-lampooned man, Frederick the Second. "They can say what they like, so long as I do what I like," was his well-known epigram.

General von Caprivi is described by Her Bunsen as a just man, thoughtful and almost tender towards subaltern officers in their straits Simple and unassuming as men of merit mostly are, he soon found himself beloved by the navy, although never concealing his preference for the army in general, and the Guards in particular; and popular in Parliament, although disdaining the use of even the slightest ornament in his speech.

Herr von Bottieher, one of the new Ministers, has risen gradually through the various stages of the administrative career, and has been for a number of years Bismarck's lieutenant in Parliament and in the internal legislation of the Empire. That good-natured frankness which made him beyond measure popular when a young man has remained faithful to him through all the tortuous paths and often brutal necessities by which this lieutenancy has led him. You could not be angry with him. Everybody was ready to trust him anew each day.

The new Duke of Aosta, who would become heir to the Italian throne in the event of the death of the weakly and delicate Crown Prince, is a tall, handsome young man, with perfectly cut features. He is exceedingly wealthy, having inherited from his mother a fortune of £1,500,000, his two younger brothers receiving £750,000 each. He is passionately devoted to horses, and is one of the best whips in the kingdom. Photography is also one of his hobbies, and his small pocket camera was held in horror by the ladies of the household, who knew that they might be taken at any moment without having time to arrange themselves in a graceful pose.

M. Pasteur, the scientist, whose pretended method of curing or preventing hydrophobia has so divided scientific opinion, is a stoutly-built, middle-sized man, slightly lame, and with the stoop of a student. Absolutely remorseless as a vivisectionist he claims to be, and possibly is, the soul of compassion once outside the laboratory. He professes inability to understand how any man can find pleasure in sport. He declares that he would not have the courage to kill a bird for sport, and avers that he looks upon fishing with aversion. Pasteur is a very religious man. He is as sincere and thorough-going a Catholic as there is in all Paris, and for this reason is much disliked by the Freethinking Professors and Scientists. He quotes Faraday's words with great zest and approbation: "When I enter my laboratory I shut the door of my oratory, and when I enter my oratory I shut the door of my laboratory.

Pasteur is a dreamy, absent-minded man, and it is said of him that he would never think of dining unless reminded of the necessity of taking food. On the very morning of his marriage he forgot all about the approaching ceremony, and went off to his laboratory in Strasburg University. The bride and her attendants went to church, but no Pasteur turned up. A search was instituted, and Pasteur was found deep in chemical experiments, and utterly oblivious of the fact that he was to be made a Benedict that day.

Miss Merrick, who has received a commission from Henry M. Stanley to paint his portrait, which is to be presented to the Royal Geographical Society after the next Salon, went to Egypt to paint the Khedive, and while there met Verdi, who gave her a sitting while putting the finishing notes in the score of his famous "Aida." She is said to be the best paid portrait painter among women, and can get her own price for her pictures. In arranging for an engagement she emphatically refuses to put a price upon her work, insisting that she can only estimate its value when complete. If the subject demurs when the bill is presented, she quietly orders the canvas out of the way, and is persistently not at home to the original. Although she has many orders for young and beautiful faces, she prefers to paint aged, careworn, and strikingly characteristic men and women.

Lord Hobhouse, writes a home paper, belongs to a rare type of politician. He is a Radical and a Progressist, in spite of his Anglo-Indian training. He developed his Radical principles chiefly after his return from the East; but even in India his fellow-officials looked askance upon him as a person of revolutionary tendencies. Radicalism thrives not in the Anglo-Indian air, nor Liberalism even; the true Anglo-Indian official is a Conservative. Lord Hobhouse was for five years the Legal Member of the Viceregal Council. He is about as satisfied with his office of Alderman in the London Council as he ever was with the glory of Simla. He is 70 years old, but looks rather younger. He shakes his head at the Radical faith that taxation of ground rents will settle public ills.

Mr. Collyer Fergusson (son of Sir James Fergusson, who lives at Hever Court, Kent) purchased the ancient estate of Ightham Moat, Kent, and since his recent marriage with Miss Max Muller he has become desirous of disposing of the old oak and another furniture in the house. The collection contains some very fine specimens of old carved oak cabinets, chests, and chairs as well as some excellent old marqueterie cabinets and tables. The library will also be disposed of at the same time. At one time during the reign of Charles I. the Selby stables at Ightham were so extensive that they could and did accommodate a regiment of cavalry.

Very few Orientals have manifested so keen and enlightened an appreciation of the Western spirit as Malcom Khan, the Persian Minister in London. Prince Malcom Khan was accredited to this country as far back as 1873. In London he has long since made troops of friends. Among the most liberal of his fellow-countrymen at home, he is almost revered. He is to Persia more than Sir Salar Jung, the greatest of native Indian statesmen was to the kingdom of the Nizam. Even Persia has been moving with the times, and to that movement Prince Malcom Khan has contributed in no small degree.

Mr. Ruskin has two great aversions—tobacco and stupid people. So marked is his dislike of the weeds that those of his friends who indulge in it fumigate and scent themselves before approaching the "Master." The great critic, like Carlyle, is very intolerant of stupidity, and has a short, emphatic way of his own with bores, which effectually prevents them from intruding upon him again. He is devoted to the game of chess, and is a sound player, although his extreme impulsiveness often runs counter to his better judgment. Mr. Ruskin is a lover of the morning hours. Winter and summer he rises early, and has had his breakfast and his matutinal walk, and has got through a lot of work before many of us are stirring. Mr. Ruskin is a veritable "sensitive plant" in his subjection to weather influences. On a bright, clear day he is buoyant, elastic and in the highest spirits, but on a dull day he is moody and almost misanthropic.

The American writer, Mr. George Kennan, whose name has now gone the round of the world, is well known in Russia and in Siberia. He knows Eastern Siberia and its Polar regions as well as he knows his own American home. He is a master of the Russian language. It is twenty-three years since he travelled through part of the Polar territory, to which the savage Governor Ostashkin last year attempted to drive his exiles, without food, clothing, or shelter. But that was one of his earliest journeys.

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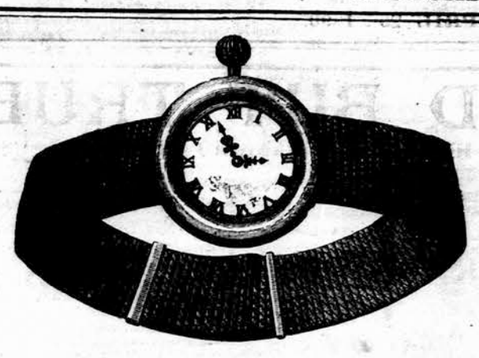

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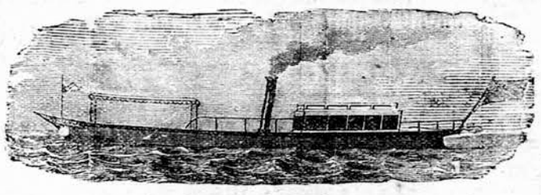

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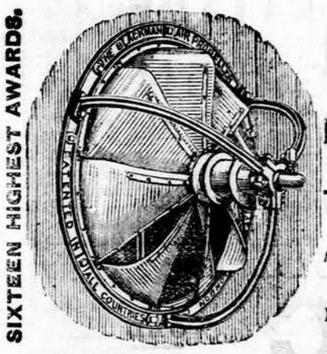

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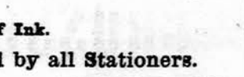

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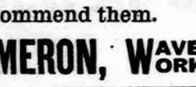

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